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Annual report of the
municipal officers of the
town of Norway

Danforth, Francis A.

TOWN REPORT NORWAY 1903-1904

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF NORWAY

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING JANUARY 30,

1904

NORWAY, ME.:
THE ADVERTISER BOOK PRINT.
1904.

TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor:

A. J. STEARNS EDWARD E. WITT F. L. MILLETT

Clerk:

GEO. L. CURTIS

Treasurer:

H. J. BANGS

Town Agent:

JAMES O. CROOKER

Collector:

GEO. A. COLE

Superintending School Committee:

JOHN A. ROBERTS GEO. E. TUBBS
FRANK KIMBALL

Superintendent of Schools:

CHARLES P. BARNES

Board of Health:

S. A. BENNETT, M. D., *Sec'y* HORACE E. MIXER
GEO. W. HOLMES

Truant Officer:

GEO. W. LOCKE

Inspector of Buildings:

MORRILL M. FULLER

Trustees of Norway Public Library:

M. L. KIMBALL B. F. BRADBURY	Term expires March, 1904
JOHN A. ROBERTS REV. B. S. RIDEOUT	Term expires March, 1905
E. F. SMITH W. C. LEAVITT	Term expires March, 1906

ORGANIZATION

President, JOHN A. ROBERTS Vice-President, B. S. RIDEOUT
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To the Citizens of the Town of Norway:—

The following annual reports for the fiscal year ending Jan. 30, 1904, are hereby respectfully submitted by your town officers.

YEAR 1903

ASSESSORS' REPORT

Valuation of property and number of polls in town as taken, April 1st, 1903:

Valuation of real estate of resident owners	$838,304 00	
" " " non-resident owners	110,500 00	
Total valuation of real estate		$948,804 00
Val. of personal property of resident owners	$253,536 00	
" " " non-res. owners	6,330 00	
Total valuation of personal property		$259,866 00
Grand total of property		**$1,208,670 00**

Number of polls taxed, 778. Not taxed, 92.
Poll tax rate, $2.50
Property rate, $18.00 per thousand dollars.

ASSESSMENTS.

For State tax		$3,570 89
County tax		2,137 95
Extinguishment of town debt	$2,150 00	
Support of common schools	3,850 00	
Support of poor	1,000 00	
Interest charges	500 00	
Officers' salaries	1,600 00	
Text books	400 00	
Insurance, appliances and apparatus	500 00	
Repairs of school buildings	500 00	
Repairs of highways and bridges	3,000 00	
Snow breaking expense	1,600 00	
Norway Public Library	450 00	
Memorial Day observance	50 00	
Free high school	1,600 00	
		$17,200 00
Overlay in assessing		792 22
Supplementary taxes assessed		66 60
Total amount committed for collection		$23,767 66

Abstract from assessors' report to state assessors for the year 1903, with supplementary list added:

LIVE STOCK TAXED.

	No. in 1902.	No. in 1903.
Horses and mules	477	477
Colts 3 years old	2	5
Colts 2 years old	5	6
Yearling colts	2	5
Cows	780	869
Oxen	25	54
3 years old	279	256
2 years old	286	318
Yearlings	306	348
Sheep	432	430
Swine	207	274

OTHER PROPERTY.

	1901		1902		1903	
	No.	Amt.	No.	Amt.	No.	Amt.
Bank Stock	286	$18,000	185	$17,900	247	$24,100
Money at interest		40,451		53,150		41,275
Money on hand						1,250

Trust Co. Stock	10	$ 1,000	5	$ 500	5	$ 500
Water Co. "	167	4,000	167	4,000	165	3,100
Electric Light Co. Stock		2,000		2,000		2,000
Stocks in trade		80,550		81,550		83,435
Bicycles	99	1,337	97	1,155	115	1,170
Carriages	244	5,210	206	4,235	218	4,395
Musical instruments	199	11,565	208	12,465	218	12,145
Grand Trunk Ry. property		1,000		1,000		1,000
Street Ry. property		2,300		2,300		2,400
Water Company		20,000		20,000		20,250
Electric Light Co		40,000		40,000		40,000
Total		$227,413		$240,255		$237,020

In the above abstract from the report to State Assessors it will be noticed that the item of money at interest was raised from $40,451 00 in 1901 to $53,150.00 in 1902, and then went back to $41,275.00 in 1903. In order that this fluctuation may be understood by the tax payers we deem a brief explanation to be proper.

In 1902 inventory, money at interest was returned against Martha A. Cordwell, $8,000.00.

Abatement allowed in 1903 by reason of unjust assessment on $5,200 00
The E. F. Smith abatement by order of the County Commissioners on appeal, money at interest 2,500 00
Money at interest in 1902 re-invested in Bank Stock in 1903. 6,200 00

ABATEMENTS ALLOWED COLLECTOR.

Taxes of Year 1900.

Fields, Ellsworth C., claims he was a minor when taxed	$2 00	
Greenleaf, Stephen, heirs of, overvaluation	4 10	
Morgan, Edwin, paid poll tax in Massachusetts	2 00	
Nadeau, James, never found by collector	2 00	
		$10 10

Year 1901.

Davis, Frank P., worthless	$2 00	
Downs, Henry F., worthless	2 00	
Dunn, Daniel F., out of State	2 00	
Gordon, Reuben M., never found by collector	2 00	
Stevens, Dwight, paid in Paris	2 00	
Swift, Asa E., paid in Massachusetts	2 38	
Young, W. H., worthless	2 00	
		$14 38

YEAR 1902.

Bennett, Benj., paid in Magalloway Plantation..	$ 2 50	
Cordwell, Martha A., overvaluation.....	109 20	
Cote, Aurele, whereabouts unknown.....	3 15	
Dyer, E. W., paid in Lewiston.....	2 50	
Horne, J. L., heirs of, error in listing.....	53	
Howe, Freeland, Jr., out of State.....	2 50	
Libby, Jacob, paid in Portland.....	2 50	
Roes, Charles, paid in Rumford.....	7 75	
Russell, Verner M., error in listing.....	2 50	
Silver, Albert T., paid in Woodstock.....	2 50	
Spencer, O. W., paid in Lynn.....	2 50	
Starr, L. C., paid in Thomaston.....	2 50	
Truman, Lamont D., paid in New Gloucester....	2 50	
Walker, Allan J., claims he was a minor when taxed.....	2 50	
Waterhouse, L. G., paid in New Hampshire.....	2 50	
Woodworth, Wm. H., never found by collector..	2 50	
		$150 63

YEAR 1903.

Frost, S. P., heirs, by vote of town.....	$6 30	
Fuller, Harry E., paid in Auburn.....	2 50	
Legere, Willie, minor.....	2 50	
Starr, L. C., paid in Thomaston.....	2 50	
Woodis, Wm., error in listing.....	2 50	
		$16 30
Total abatements to collector.....		$191 41

Abatements allowed to others:

Hills, Vivian W., error in listing (1903).....	$ 1 80	
Norway Shoe Shop Co., by vote of town (1903)..	180 00	
Pike, A. L. F., overvaluation.....	9 00	
Smith, Eugene F., by order of County Commissioners on appeal (1902).....	52 50	
		$243 30
Total abatements allowed.....		$434 71

REPORT OF

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY AT TOWN FARM.

JAN. 30, 1904.

Live stock:

	Value.	
4 Oxen	$270 00	
15 cows	375 00	
2 three-year-old heifers	40 00	
3 two-year-old "	45 00	
2 yearling "	20 00	
6 shotes	36 00	
35 fowls	17 50	
3 calves	20 00	
		$823 50

Hay, grain and provisions:

22 tons English hay	240 00
18 " brook "	150 00
1 bushel oats	45
3 bushels corn	1 80
10 bushels corn meal	5 50
1½ bushels wheat	50
100 pounds linseed meal	1 55
400 " bran	4 60
100 " stock feed	1 35
300 " middlings	4 05
Ice	20 00
100 pounds oyster shells	1 00
100 " pop corn	5 00
2 bushels beans	4 50
75 " potatoes	50 00
2 " beets	1 25
½ barrel flour	2 25
85 pounds fresh pork and hams	8 50

300 pounds salt pork	$30 00	
25 " lard	3 00	
6 " butter	1 50	
Sugar on hand	75	
Molasses on hand	1 00	
Table salt	25	
Tea and coffee	75	
Spices	50	
1½ bushels salt	75	
Tobacco	50	
4 bars hard soap	20	
1 gallon mince meat	50	
		$542 00
Farming tools:		
5 chisels	1 00	
1 screw driver	15	
1 wheelbarrow	2 00	
1 express wagon	10 00	
1 cross cut saw	1 25	
1 cable chain	2 50	
6 ox chains	5 00	
33 tie chains	8 00	
2 trace chains	50	
1 whiffletree chain	75	
3 corn cutters	25	
2 flails	50	
4 iron bars	4 00	
1 drag rake	50	
5 hand rakes	1 00	
2 steel wedges	25	
1 sledge hammer	50	
2 hand hammers	1 00	
1 road scraper	1 00	
5 ladders	5 00	
1 grindstone	2 00	
4 grass scythes and snaths	4 00	
2 bush " " "	1 50	
3 planes	25	
10 augurs	2 50	
4 hand saws	1 00	
6 wood saws	3 00	
2 calf feeders	3 00	
1 blasting drill	75	
1 ox cart and wheels complete	30 00	
1 " " "	15 00	

1 hay rack and long tongue	$ 6 00	
1 horse-cart, wheels and body	50 00	
1 horse hay rake	15 00	
2 bolt hooks	1 00	
2 sets ox traverse sleds	35 00	
1 long horse-sled	10 00	
1 spring board wagon	5 00	
2 cultivators	8 00	
1 steel square	75	
1 monkey wrench	50	
2 whitewash brushes	1 00	
1 manure hook	50	
2 potato diggers	75	
4 common hoes	1 25	
1 pick	25	
3 harrows	30 00	
5 plows	15 00	
2 slip ox-yokes	12 00	
2 scoops	2 00	
6 shovels	2 00	
7 manure forks	3 00	
5 hay forks	2 00	
4 axes	2 00	
1 broad-axe	1 00	
1 shop axe	50	
1 steel trap	50	
1 ice grapple with extra hooks	1 50	
1 ice chisel	25	
1 cow sprayer	1 00	
1 saw set	75	
1 snow shovel	25	
1 set bits	2 75	
1 bit stock	1 50	
6 ox yokes and fixtures for three yokes	5 00	
3 shaves	75	
1 curry comb	25	
1 pair ice tongs	1 00	
2 peavey picks	3 00	
2 sprinklers	75	
1 cow bell	50	
1 bull staff	50	
1 creamer and ten cans	30 00	
1 set collar, hames and tugs	10 00	
1 set tackle blocks	2 00	
1 iron tooth garden rake	25	
		$375 15

Household goods in inventory		$346 37

Miscellaneous List:

7 empty flour barrels	$ 1 75	
5 empty molasses barrels	1 00	
1 scalding tub	50	
12 meal bags	1 20	
5 half size meat barrels	1 00	
18 cords dry wood	70 00	
25 cords green wood	60 00	
1 M shingles	1 50	
2 M lumber	20 00	
2 pairs sled runners	3 00	
6 wall brackets	3 00	
1 roll poultry wire	2 50	
1 drag plank	1 00	
Rope	50	
1 faucet	25	
350 bricks	3 85	
1 pump for cleaning pipe	2 00	
1 portable fire extinguisher	13 75	
		$186 80

Total amount of inventory, exclusive of timber sold and delivered	$2,273 82

Timber sold and delivered on Crooked River and at mill:

50 cords spruce on river	$200	
13 cords cedar at mill	91	
10 M feet pine at mill	90	
2½ M feet hemlock at mill	20	
		$401 00

Total amount of inventory, including timber	$2,674 82
Total inventory, Jan. 31st, 1903	2,281 20
Gain in inventory for year	$393 62

TOWN FARM STATEMENT.

FARM.	DR.
To paid Guy L. Curtis bal. salary as Supt.....	$ 66 67
" " " cash for sawdust and labor	2 25
Isaac F. Andrews, Supt., on acct. salary.	230 36
Henry P. Howe, labor on farm.....	95 00
B. W. Marston, " "	2 50
Edgar E. Holden, " haying.....	32 38
Fred D. Knightly, mowing and ice.....	20 83
C. M. Gammon, labor.....	2 00
J. E. Marston, "	1 50
C. W. Ryerson, " and phosphate..	19 50
W. O. Perry, phosphate.....	18 38
Partridge Bros., grain and groceries	472 22
C. B. Cummings & Sons, " " plow....	128 35
A. C. McCrellis, "	41 97
O. P. Brooks, meat and provisions.....	4 83
L. I. Gilbert, " " "	1 13
H. J. Bangs, groceries.....	68 52
L. A. Johnson, meat.....	46
S. B. & Z. S. Prince, dry goods.....	4 28
Thomas Smiley, dry goods.....	1 52
Smiley Shoe Store, footwear.....	4 00
J. O. Crooker, barbed wire and hardware	17 51
W. C. Leavitt, hardware.....	7 44
F. P. Stone, medicines.....	11 20
Frank Kimball, medicines.....	88
F. H. Hurd, blacksmithing.....	9 23
A. D. Kilgore, "	8 15
J. N. Favor, supplies and repairs.....	2 80
E. F. Bicknell, pork barrel.....	25
E. E. Witt, beans.....	3 79
Alvin Brown, apples.....	2 00
A. U. Tyler, pigs.....	12 00
G. Oscar Bennett, pigs.....	11 50
Frank Morse, pigs.....	10 00
Sewell Austin, pasturing and labor.....	10 82
W. J. Hascall, labor and plank.....	3 81
Leonard Flint, labor cutting timber....	41 25
Leonas Flint, " " "	29 38
F. N. Barker, M. D., medical attendance	7 75
Annette Bennett, M. D., medical attendance.....	3 00

To paid E. C. Walker, V. S.	$ 1 50	
J. F. Bolster, caskets, etc	45 50	
Rev. E. S. Cotton, attending funeral	3 00	
Expense conveying remains of Sarah Lord	50	
Cyrus Woodsum, digging grave	4 50	
A. W. Walker & Son, cultivator, plow point and ice	8 10	
J. A. Roberts, express wagon	8 00	
H. L. Libby, repairs on wagon	1 50	
F. P. Morrill, 2 ox goads	1 00	
E. J. Hobbs, meat and use of bull	14 15	
D. A. Watson, tongue for ox cart	1 00	
F. P. Towne, Tel. repairs and tolls	2 14	
Freeland Howe, insurance on buildings	15 50	
A. F. Jackson, bull	28 00	
		$1,545 80

The above expense was paid as follows:

Paid by Town orders	$1,483 84	
Supt. with proceeds of farm	36 54	
Exchange of produce, etc	5 06	
Proceeds of farm turned on Supt's. salary	20 36	
		$1,545 80

FARM.

	CR.	
By Potatoes sold	$ 5 72	
Pork "	177 88	
Heifer "	18 00	
Beef "	31 80	
Poultry "	2 52	
Sweet corn "	24 57	
Eggs "	16 57	
Veal calves "	48 00	
1 stove "	1 25	
Cream "	615 90	
Cash and Sav. Bank deposit, W. F. Hayes	22 52	
Veal and hide	16 36	
	$981 09	
Gain in inventory	393 62	
Total		$1,374 71
Balance against farm		$171 09

INMATES AT TOWN FARM, JAN. 30, 1904.

Thomas Wells	age 78	David Holt	age 53
Lola Bennett	" 43	Prentiss Buck	" 53

Two deaths have occurred at the town farm since the last report was made, that of William F. Hayes under circumstances about the same as attended the death of his brother Lewis, and that of Miss Sarah Lord from old age.

Mr. B. N. Wells came to the farm early in the winter, being out of health, and not feeling able financially to board all winter, and having no home to go to other than here, where his father is. As he asks for no other help except his board, and was willing to work sufficiently to pay for that, we deem him as only a temporary resident at the farm.

We want to make mention of the help that Prentiss Buck is in the farm work. Mr. Andrews says that Prentiss is his right hand man, and that if it were not for him a hired man would be needed the year through.

We feel that the superintendent and his wife have labored hard and faithfully for the town the past year.

With the large stock kept on the farm there is, of course, a large amount of manure to put out, and a lot of farm work to do to properly use this manure, and we thought it better and cheaper to hire a man by the month than to hire by the day, and Mr. Henry P. Howe was hired and proved to be valuable help.

Under our advice and direction, three acres of sweet corn, quite a piece of potatoes and a large piece of beans were planted, besides a large piece of Hungarian for forage.

The early and severe frost of this fall nearly ruined the corn and beans, so that these crops were nearly a failure.

Mr. Andrews started the season's work with the determination to show a balance to the credit of the farm, but the adverse weather was too much for his efforts. However, he has worked hard since the snow came and with the winter's work up to Jan. 30th to the credit of the farm a very satisfactory showing is made.

Having an unusually good working team of two yoke of oxen on hand, and no chance to dispose of either pair at any satisfactory price, we thought it best that they be made to earn their board, and

so we arranged to sell a small amount of timber. This seemed all the more advisable as a good deal of the standing timber is breaking down and wasting faster than it is growing.

The farm inventory aside from timber sold is a little less than last year. It is almost impossible to keep the list free from old worn-out tools and articles that have no real value. We dropped off some of these things and there are more that ought to be left out.

In the house, things appeared in good shape and the inmates are evidently well cared for. Mrs. Andrews has taken most of the care of the poultry and her success deserves especial mention. While she had rather hard luck with her chickens in the spring, losing quite a number, yet at the time of taking the inventory she had on hand a good looking flock of 35 or 40 hens, and has sold nearly $20 worth of poultry and eggs.

POOR ACCOUNT.

Amount raised, March, 1903	$1,000 00	
" received from Rumford, bal. last year	7 59	
" " " " current year	88 00	
" " " Bethel	63 48	
" " " Buxton	7 00	
" " " Livermore	54 90	
" " " Bridgton	5 08	
Total amount available		$1,226 05
Expended for town's poor:—		
Paid expense of C. W. Willey at Bethel	$ 33 14	
" W. C. Fogg at Auburn	26 52	
" Chas. F. Greenleaf, truss	6 00	
" Lillia E. Newell, transient	6 10	
" Isaac Bartlett, burial expenses.	40 50	
		$112 26
Expense of Frank Shackley:		
Paid H. N. Black, nurse	$ 44 00	
Catherine G. Briggs, "	24 75	
Fred W. Pratt, "	24 00	
B. F. Bradbury, M. D., med. attendance	93 80	
Alphonso Allen, board and room	75 00	
J. P. Cullinan, wood	6 30	
Frank Kimball, medicine	9 76	
John M. Cummings, wood	85	
		$278 46

Expense of Joseph Woods:			
Paid	James Smith, goods	$ 2 85	
	Effie E. Herrick, nurse	10 00	
	H. L. Bartlett, M. D., med. attendance	7 00	
	A. S. Kimball, rent	10 00	
	S. Harriman, provisions	3 00	
	Investigation of case	7 83	
			$ 40 68
Expense of S. S. Packard, (soldier):			
Paid	James Smith, goods	$ 2 00	
	Frank Kimball, medicine	5 00	
	F. H. Noyes, clothing	8 25	
	James Smith, Est., footwear	2 25	
			$ 17 50
Expense of John Meader, (soldier):			
Paid	Jennie M. Richardson, board and care	$108 00	
	Expenses to Togus	6 00	
	Mrs. Nathaniel Thompson, board and care	18 38	
	Expenses	3 75	
			$136 13
Expense of Christina Bradbury:			
Paid	Mrs. F. L. Starbird, care	$ 31 00	
	Mrs. C. R. Annis, "	89 50	
	B. F. Bradbury, M. D., med. attendance	8 00	
	H. L. Bartlett, M. D., med. attendance	2 00	
	Maine Insane Hospital	58 96	
	Expense conveying to hospital	12 14	
			$201 60
Expense of Sarah H. Gammon, (soldier's widow):			
Paid	E. H. Lakin, sawing wood	$ 63	
	Pauper Aid furnished	5 00	
	" " "	5 00	
	A. S. Bartlett, Est., rent	5 63	
	C. B. Cummings & Sons, rent	24 00	
	J. P. Cullinan, wood	29 00	
			$ 69 26
Expense of Dolly M. Buck (soldier's widow):			
Paid	Mrs. Mary Jordan, care	$ 39 25	
	Frank Kimball, medicines	7 90	
	Aurora Pingree, care	36 00	
	Mrs. M. J. Bearce, "	45 00	
			$128 15

Expense of Mrs. Charles H. Brown:		
Paid B. F Bradbury, medical attendance	$ 8 00	
Thomas Smiley, dry goods	5 30	
		$ 13 30
Expense of Mrs. Harriet Greenwood:		
Paid O. P. Brooks, supplies	$ 3 50	
H. J. Bangs, "	5 00	
J. P. Cullinan, wood	6 00	
		$ 14 50
Expense of Levi E. Holden, (soldier):		
Paid Annette Bennett, M. D., medical attendance	$ 50	
S. B. & Z. S. Prince, dry goods	4 25	
Supplies furnished by H. J. Bangs	4 50	
		$ 9 25
Amount expended for town's poor with no return	$1,021 09	
Amount expended for poor of other towns and returned	218 46	
Amount due from town of Oxford	37 75	
Total expended during year	$1,277 30	
Balance against farm added	171 09	
		$1,448 39
Amount available deducted		1,226 05
Balance credited to contingent fund		$222 34

STATEMENT OF AID FURNISHED POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

Rumford,	J. K. P. Simpson,	paid	$88 00
Bethel,	Frank Stiles,	"	20 00
Bethel,	George E. Buck,	"	43 48
Buxton,	Emma Richards,	"	7 00
Livermore,	Lotta B. Stevens,	"	54 90
Oxford,	Benj. H. Bonney,	due	37 75
Bridgton,	returned by unfortunate	to Bridgton	5 08
Total			$256 21

The sum above shown to be due from the town of Oxford has been paid, but was not received by the treasurer until after his accounts were balanced for the year.

The bills for Poor away from farm have been unusually heavy during the past year, as the conditions attendant upon several of the cases have made large expense unavoidable.

The first large bill we were called upon to pay was that incurred for Frank Shackley, whose call for assistance received the attention

of last year's Board of Overseers. At the commencement of our term we found him at the Allen Boarding House, where arrangements had been made for his care. He had been operated upon for appendicitis, which closely following a severe illness with typhoid fever brought him very near death's door. Recovery was very rapid and he soon became able to go to relatives in another town.

The case of Christina Bradbury we feel may need some explanation, as this is one of the most expensive for the year. As many of the town's people undoubtedly know, Mrs. Bradbury's mind became deranged on account of conditions which have previously caused the same mental trouble.

We attempted early in the progress of this case to effect a commitment to the Maine Insane Asylum, but on account of her delicate condition the authorities there would not receive her, and it became necessary to hire some one to care for her day and night, which we did at a large expense; as soon as it was possible to do so commitment was made to the Maine Insane Asylum at Augusta, where she is still confined. The last report which we received from Dr. Sanborn did not indicate any material improvement.

Dolly M. Buck, widow of Harrison Buck, late of Norway, fell in distress while living in Greenwood, late last fall. The authorities there rendered her such assistance as they thought proper and notified us. Her condition, although somewhat hard to define, seemed to be that of nervous prostration, and it was very hard to find anyone to care for her. As soon as it seemed safe to do so, she was removed and brought to Norway, after having engaged a place for her with Mrs. B. C. A Pingree. Mrs. Pingree, however, soon found that she was unable to keep a person requiring the attention and care which Mrs. Buck demanded, and we secured Mrs. Mary O. Jordan's services, with whom our charge still remains. We are informed that other arrangements may soon have to be made. Mrs. Buck receives a widow's pension and aid from the State, which, under ordinary circumstances, should support her.

John Meader continues about as he has been for a long time, and has been allowed to stay in Bridgton, as we could make no arrangement for him here that would be any advantage over that made with parties there. An attempt was made to place Mr. Meader in the Soldiers' Home at Togus, but after remaining there a few days, he returned to Bridgton. An arrangement was made with Mrs. Nathaniel Thompson for board. The pension money is turned in for his support, and under Mrs. Thompson's care we feel that we can do no better than to let him remain in Bridgton.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

Orders have been drawn for the year ending Jan. 30th, 1904, from No. 7397 to No. 8098 inclusive amounting to, viz. . . $22,165 38

For Extinguishment of town debt	$1,500 00	
Support of common schools	5,652 24	
Poor away from farm	1,277 30	
Interest charges	424 06	
Officers' salaries	1,399 53	
Free text books	401 64	
Repairs on school buildings	619 54	
School insurance, apparatus, appliances	566 42	
Repairs of highways and bridges	2,725 33	
Snow breaking	1,487 28	
Norway Public Library	525 20	
Support of free high school	2,102 87	
Memorial Day observance	50 00	
Town farm	1,483 84	
Contingent fund	1,950 13	
		$22,165 38

DEBT STATEMENT.

Amount of appropriation, March, 1903		$2,150 00
Paid on Funded debt bonds, series of 1884	$1,000 00	
Schoolhouse bonds, " 1899	500 00	
Amount paid by town orders	$1,500 00	
Bal. Town Order No. 2112, dated April 20, 1895, paid by treasurer	650 00	
Total amount paid on town debt		$2,150 00

SUPPORT OF COMMON SCHOOLS.

Balance unexpended, Jan. 31, 1903	$1,533 29	
Appropriation, March, 1903	3,850 00	
Amount received from state	2,173 35	
		$7,556 64
Amount expended to Jan. 30, 1904	$5,652 24	
Balance unexpended	1,904 40	
		$7,556 64

POOR AWAY FROM FARM.

Expended as shown in report of Overseers of Poor	$1,277 30

INTEREST STATEMENT.

Amount of appropriation, March, 1903	$500 00	
Interest on 1902 taxes turned in by collector	70 00	
		$570 00
Paid on Funded debt bonds series of 1884	$225 00	
Schoolhouse " " 1899	140 00	
Current orders of 1903	33 78	
Order No. 2112	25 28	
	$424 06	
Balance to contingent fund	145 94	
		$570 00

OFFICERS' SALARIES.

Amount of appropriation, March, 1903		$1,600 00
Paid D. S. Sanborn, services as selectman, Feb. 1, 1903, to March 2, 1903	$ 34 35	
H. M. Jackson, services as selectman, Oct. 20, 1902, to March 2, 1903	46 50	
Alvin Brown, services as selectman, balance due to March 2, 1903	20 00	
A. J. Stearns, services as selectman, March 2, 1903, to Jan. 30, 1904	288 00	
E. E. Witt, services as selectman, same period	50 00	
Frank L. Millett, services as selectman, same period	54 00	
C. P. Barnes, services as superintendent of schools, balance to March 2, 1903	42 25	
C. P. Barnes, services as superintendent of schools, on account year 1903	250 00	
H. J. Bangs, services as town treasurer, year 1903	50 00	

Paid	George A. Cole, services as collector, year 1903	$381 00	
	George L. Curtis, services as town clerk, year 1903	20 00	
	Annette Bennett, M. D., services as town physician to April 1, 1903	16 00	
	S. A. Bennett, M. D., services on board of health to Jan. 15, 1904	46 75	
	C. W. Dinsmore, balance services as truant officer to March 2, 1903	8 33	
	George W. Locke, services as truant officer	29 80	
	J. O. Crooker, services as town agent to Jan. 30, 1904	3 00	
	Charles F. Boober, services as dog constable, year 1903	15 00	
	A. P. Bassett, services as constable, etc.	9 00	
	Thaddeus Cross, " "	9 30	
	W. W. Sheen, " special police	6 00	
	M. M. Fuller, " inspector of buildings for year 1903	20 25	
		$1,399 53	
Balance to contingent fund		200 47	
			$1,600 00

FREE TEXT BOOKS.

Amount of appropriation, March 1903	$400 00	
Books sold	1 64	
		$401 64
Amount of orders drawn on this account		$401 64

REPAIRS ON SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Amount of appropriation, March, 1903	$500 00	
Shingles sold	1 87	
Tuition	80 45	
From contingent fund	37 22	
		$619 54
Amount of orders drawn on this account		$619 54

SCHOOL INSURANCE, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES.

Amount appropriated, March, 1903	$500 00	
Paper sold	35 37	
Tuition	31 05	
		$566 42
Amount of orders drawn on this account		$566 42

REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Amount of appropriation, March, 1903,	$3,000 00	
Received of H. S. Flint, road Com. overdrawn by error	50 00	
		$3,050 00

		Order No.	
Paid	Elbridge Holt	7406	$ 1 50
	W. A. Hersey	7421	1 20
	F. S. Gammon, watering tub	7434	3 00
	Eben Shackley	7450	1 20
	W. J. Haskell, plank	7475	37 84
	E. C. Walker, use watering tub	7542	2 50
	Good Roads Machinery Co. machine repairs	7570	57 00
	A. B. Robbins, repairs on road machine	7580	3 00
	Fred H. Perry	7592	35 35
	A. S. Crockett	7593	6 00
	O. L. Gary	7595	6 60
	Ellsworth G. Farnum	7596	6 00
	R. E. York	7599	11 25
	Joseph Durban	7601	13 50
	J. B. Frost	7607	22 00
	M. G. Richardson, watering trough	7613	2 50
	Elden B. McAllister, care watering trough	7622	5 00
	H. P. Millett repairs on road machine	7624	6 50
	C. G. French	7629	7 50
	W. H. Pride	7630	35 00
	H. S. Flint	7631	30 00
	Albert Thomas	7632	7 00
	Aaron Babb	7633	16 50
	Philip Soucey	7636	4 50
	Charles Crosby	7638	40 00
	H. P. Stetson	7641	25 50
	Llewellyn Millett	7643	12 00
	J. H. Aldrich	7645	7 50
	Chas. Roes	7646	108 00
	C. E. Freeman	7647	143 10
	O. F. Hill	7648	13 65
	Geo. Newcomb	7649	16 50

Paid	L. H. Millett	7650	$ 7 75
	C. I. Fogg	7651	10 50
	A. J. Millett	7653	39 87
	A. J. & F. L. Millett	7654	64 00
	W. G. Magoun	7655	31 05
	Walter Smith	7656	6 00
	C. I. Fogg	7657	9 00
	C. I. Fogg	7658	7 50
	I. P. Symonds	7659	12 00
	E. D. Millett	7660	64 00
	O. W. H. Judkins	7662	16 15
	W. H. Pride	7669	20 00
	Joseph Durban	7670	15 00
	W. H. Stone	7675	2 62
	A. L. Hill	7676	14 70
	Chas. F. Boober	7680	1 50
	E. F. Wheeler	7681	13 35
	Grant Abbott	7683	3 75
	W. R. Flood	7691	6 45
	T. L. Heath, curbing	7692	125 00
	W. H. Pride	7695	28 80
	Mrs. Emma L. Noble	7696	4 55
	L. L. Flint	7697	25 65
	G. G. Abbott	7704	30 00
	C. A. Merrill	7705	16 10
	W. H. Buck	7706	3 70
	Fred H. Perry	7707	43 17
	C. B. Cummings & Sons, planks	7709	48 87
	A. K. Hill	7710	14 55
	J. H. Aldrich	7711	1 50
	O. F. Hill	7712	9 00
	Geo. Newcomb	7713	5 25
	C. E. Freeman	7714	54 53
	Leander Billings, plank	7715	7 50
	C. L. Hathaway, plank	7716	5 90
	W. C. Leavitt, hardware	7717	7 07
	Charles Crosby	7718	28 95
	F. D. Knightly	7719	70 50
	L. A. Millett	7721	21 00
	J. B. Frost	7731	19 50
	R. E. York	7731	11 50
	R. C. Frost	7731	6 75
	H. S. Flint	7732	35 00
	R. E. Kimball	7738	8 25

Paid	O. H. Merrill	7739	$ 10 00
	Aaron Babb	7741	8 85
	Norway Building Association, brick	7746	13 50
	C. W. Coffin	7747	8 10
	H. F. Greenleaf	7750	10 00
	T. L. Heath, curbing	7753	40 00
	L. L. Flint	7754	6 00
	T. L. Newcomb	7759	10 25
	H. G. Dinsmore	7764	8 15
	Mrs. E. L. Noble	7767	2 00
	A. D. Frost	7769	2 50
	F. P. Towne	7770	12 00
	Howard Knightly	7771	16 75
	Betsey P. French, watering tub	7777	3 00
	T. L. Heath, curbing	7778	70 00
	Charles Crosby	7780	16 60
	F. W. Murdock, road mach. repairs	7781	6 50
	A. J. & F. L. Millett	7787	21 00
	A. J. Millett	7788	17 50
	L. A. Millett	7794	20 09
	T. L. Heath, curbing	7795	125 00
	H. S. Flint	7799	50 00
	David Flood	7802	9 25
	C. E. Freeman	7803	33 50
	Charles Crosby	7807	14 90
	Robert Libby	7808	9 15
	A. P. Farnham	7813	1 80
	E. G. Farnum	7826	3 00
	W. H. Pride	7845	30 11
	J. E. Marston	7845	8 25
	C. D. Herrick	7845	4 00
	A. D. Kilgore, road machine repairs	7850	1 00
	Charles Crosby	7863	5 70
	J. B. Frost	7870	5 39
	George Walker	7871	7 05
	A. J. Millett	7876	19 00
	C. F. Millett	7877	10 90
	O. W. H. Judkins	7880	13 78
	A. B. Brickett, gravel	7883	2 90
	Charles Crosby	7889	17 10
	Charles C. Dearborn	7903	1 20
	T. Walter Anderson	7921	4 95
	Guy Curtis	7922	3 40
	Joseph Woods	7923	1 80

Paid	Louis Fossa	7924	$ 1 80
	H. J. Knights	7925	67
	O. F. Hill	7926	6 30
	C. E. Freeman	7927	34 80
	A. L. Hill	7928	7 80
	Samson Scribner	7940	1 50
	Charles Crosby	7944	19 20
	H. H. Cole, sand	7949	10 90
	C. J. Everett	7955	7 50
	L. A. Millett	7956	10 62
	H. S. Flint	7957	52 52
	C. B. Cummings & Sons, plank	7958	7 28
	Frank E. Wood	7964	25 00
	W. H. Pride, material for water tub	7969	6 53
	B. W. Marston	7974	3 00
	G. E. Walker	7981	2 70
	T. L. Heath, curbing	7982	15 00
	Roswell Frost	7984	5 30
	Edgar Gilbert	7998	6 00
	W. C. Leavitt, spikes	8016	92
	Alvin Brown	8020	3 25
	Fred H. Perry	8021	4 50
	C. B. Cummings & Sons, road mach. repairs	8022	3 20
	Guy L. Curtis, sprinkling streets	8025	25 00
	F. H. Hurd, blacksmithing	8029	5 90
	C. H. Dunn	8040	7 00
	W. A. Hersey	8041	8 77
	Irving Frost, stone work	8045	2 25
	Edwin Marston	8052	75
	E. J. Marston	8052	1 50
	A. J. Millett	8064	9 90
	Charles F. Boober	8065	1 50
	G. G. Abbott	8067	1 91
	C. A. Merrill	8068	1 00
	F. P. Stone, road machine oil	8069	50
	H. S. Flint	8070	26 79
	E. G. Farnum	8071	13 05
	Clinton Mills	8071	1 00
	Sam'l Kilgore	8071	1 65
	John Frank	8071	2 55
	W. H. Pride	8071	3 50
	J. B. Haskell, plank	8071	5 30
	H. S. Flint, powder, etc	8071	5 45

Paid	J. O. Crooker	8072	$ 5 46	
	H. J. Bangs, watering tub	8085	1 00	
	Eben Shackley, cedar posts	8087	3 50	
	Fred N. Pierce	8098	1 42	
			$2,725 33	
	Balance to contingent fund		324 67	
				$3,050 00

SNOW BILLS, WINTER 1902-1903.

Amount of appropriation, March, 1903 ..... $1,600 00

		Order No.	
Paid	Elbridge Holt	7442	$ 4 00
	W. H. Pride	7455	31 80
	R. C. Frost	7456	9 65
	L. M. Cox	7457	9 90
	Charles Boober	7458	5 40
	J. B. Frost	7460	22 40
	B. W. Marston	7463	35 29
	E. E. and L. E. Holden	7464	1 50
	George Wood	7465	50 00
	Zenas Mills	7466	2 00
	Leonard Flint	7467	1 88
	E. F. C. Greene	7468	14 25
	Delbert C. Walker	7470	12 30
	Orin Brown	7471	17 90
	Ralph Flood	7474	19 58
	L. A. Carter	7479	58 12
	Fred Foster	7480	15 40
	F. D. Knightly	7481	15 40
	E. J. Hobbs	7482	25 00
	E. A. Cox	7484	35 30
	W. A. Hersey	7485	104 96
	A. J. Richardson	7486	27 60
	Whitney Buck	7487	33 72
	W. S. Pierce	7490	66 67
	Harry Greenleaf	7491	9 97
	Walter S. Buck	7494	22 07
	R. E. Kimball, land damage	7495	3 00
	Geo. G. Abbott	7496	50 50

Paid	H. G. Dinsmore	7497	$ 30 29
	O. W. H. Judkins	7499	15 76
	J. I. Millett	7501	7 05
	J. I. Millett	7503	11 50
	T. L. Newcomb	7509	20 10
	D. F. Foster	7510	1 12
	A. F. Needham	7530	2 71
	L. F. Richardson	7535	45 25
	C. I. Fogg	7536	2 00
	Llewellyn Millett	7539	10 15
	W. E. Perkins	7540	17 50
	E. C. Wheeler	7541	7 35
	Charles Crosby	7543	48 75
	H. P. Frost	7544	12 28
	E. B. Tubbs	7545	28 81
	C. J. Everett	7546	7 05
	B. Tucker	7548	40 50
	A. P. Farnham	7549	12 40
	C. A. Flint	7552	1 95
	E. F. Wood	7553	6 31
	J. M. Wood	7554	1 73
	George Walker	7556	41 64
	W. H. Pride	7557	5 25
	C. Woodsum	7560	3 60
	John Hazen	7562	6 00
	J. B. Frost	7563	10 22
	Wilfred A. Hersey	7564	3 60
	L. A. Millett	7566	20 00
	A. F. Jackson	7567	75
	A. J. & F. L. Millett	7568	68 55
	Arthur Robbins	7569	24 45
	Eben Shackley	7571	4 15
	R. E. Flood	7573	5 77
	Alvin Brown	7576	35 72
	E. G. Farnum, land damage	7581	1 00
	E. G. Gammon	7588	14 25
	B. W. Marston	7597	13 77
	E. E. Witt	7598	17 55
	T. W. Bean	7600	18 97
	M. G. Richardson	7613	45
	B. Tucker	7642	4 25
	L. D. Truman	7644	1 00
	Carl Shank	7667	3 24
	E. J. Hobbs	7668	11 58

Paid	H. F. McKay	7672	$ 5 09
	Roswell Frost	7673	13 83
	Herbert York	7720	5 02
	H. I. Holt	7726	2 55
	W. H. Buck	7727	53
	Lester Marr	7735	1 20
	Elbridge Holt	7740	9 90
	Orin Brown, land damage	7743	2 00
	Geo. W. Wood	7758	55 75
	T. L. Newcomb	7759	4 70
	Samson Scribner	7765	1 40
	Ansel H. Cushman, land damage	7827	3 00
	L. I. Bartlett	7852	3 00
	Edwin Rich	7887	4 23
	G. W. T. Doughty	7888	1 50
	C. H. Dunn	8040	6 21
	L. M. Longley, hair felt	8046	2 04
	H. J. Bangs, salt	8052	50
	E. F. C. Green	8057	1 95
	Hubert York	8071	60
	Z. W. Mills	8071	6 00
	O. L. Gary	8071	60
	A. H. Cushman, posts and bars	8086	1 50
	G. F. Frost, damage	8091	2 50
			$1,487 48
	Balance to contingent fund		112 52
			$1,600 00

NORWAY PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Amount of appropriation, March, 1903	$450 00	
Received from the State	60 20	
" " L. Ellen Frost fund	15 00	
		$525 20

Paid to treasurer by orders	$467 70	
J. O. Crooker, on account rent	20 00	
Freeland Howe, insurance	37 50	
		$525 20

SUPPORT OF FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

Balance unexpended for year 1902	$388 81	
Amount appropriated, March, 1903	1,600 00	
Received from State	375 00	
		$2,363 81
Expended for teachers' services	$2,102 87	
Balance unexpended, Jan. 30, 1904	260 94	
		$2,363 81

MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE.

Amount of appropriation, March, 1903	$50 00
Paid to S. H. Legrow, commander of Harry Rust Post, No. 54, G. A. R., by order No. 7621	50 00

TOWN FARM.

Amount paid by town orders as shown in the report of Overseers of Poor	$1,483 84

CONTINGENT FUND.

Balance from year 1902	$4,588 16	
Billiard license fees	20 00	
Veranda Club employment bureau fee	1 00	
Refunded by State for burial of soldiers	35 00	
" " " on dog tax	122 06	
" " " damage to sheep by dogs	4 00	
Armory rent from State	100 00	
Tax deeds redeemed during year	126 66	
Railroad and telegraph tax from State	60 24	
Balance unexpended from interest account	145 94	
" " " officers' salaries acct	200 47	
" " " highways and bridges account	324 67	
Balance unexpended from snow bills account	112 52	
Overlay in assessment of 1903	792 22	
		$6,632 94

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS PAID AS FOLLOWS.

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE.

Insurance on furniture, etc	$ 4 12	
Postage, registry and stationery	8 32	
500 stamped envelopes, 2c	10 60	
Blank books	27 90	
Telephone charges	3 24	
Dating stamps and pads	1 81	
Maine Register	2 00	
Blacking stove and cleaning office	1 75	
		$59 74

REPORTING BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

B. F. Bradbury, M. D., for 1902	$ 7 00	
H. L. Bartlett, M. D., for 1903	3 00	
		$10 00

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE.

Geo. L. Curtis, recording births and deaths	$21 60	
J. I. Millett., moving safe, etc	7 00	
		$28 60

WATCHMAN SERVICE.

W. W. Twombly	$26 50	
E. J. Rowe	5 00	
Thaddeus Cross	4 00	
W. W. Sheen	4 00	
E. R. Jordan	4 00	
F. D. Hosmer	4 00	
A. P. Bassett	4 00	
Hiram Wiles	1 50	
		$53 00

LOCK UP.

W. W. Twombly for care	$32 50	
Freeland Howe, insurance	9 00	
W. C. Leavitt, hardware	85	
A. J. Millett, wood	2 50	
		$44 85

WETHERELL PARK.

Anthoine A. Laferriere for care		$10 00

TOWN CLOCK.

Otto Schnuer, care	$20 00	
" " oil	85	
Freeland Howe, insurance	12 36	
		$33 21

F. W. SANBORN, PRINTING BILLS.

For 1050 town reports, 1903	$72 80	
Town notices, etc	22 25	
Check book, etc., for treasurer	7 00	
Warrant for meeting	5 25	
Road Commissioner's order books	3 00	
Supplies for town clerk's office	3 25	
		$113 55

SHOOTING RANGE.

C. H. Adams, repairs	$73 20	
J. M. Cummings, rent	40 00	
Geo. J. Schleg, labor	6 50	
C. L. Hathaway, supplies	1 40	
		$121 10

NEW SNOW PLOW.

A. B. Black, agent, for plow	$65 00	
Grand Trunk R. R. Co., freight	4 12	
		$69 12

EXPENSE OF MAKING VALID CERTAIN DOINGS OF THE ASSESSORS OF NORWAY FOR 1902.

D. S. Sanborn, expenses to Augusta	$ 4 40	
Heath & Andrews, attorneys engaged by D. S. Sanborn	30 00	
E. E. Witt, expense to Augusta	5 00	
		$39 40

LINDOR M. COX FIRE.

W. J. Hascall, fighting and watching	$3 45	
L. M. Cox " " "	3 45	
Benj. Richardson " " "	3 45	
Roscoe Frost " " "	1 80	
Bert York " " "	1 35	
		$13 50

HIGHWAY DAMAGES.

H. A. Knightly, damage to sleigh	$ 1 00	
Canadian Express Co., damage to wagon	2 25	
C. N. Tubbs, damage to horse	10 00	
		$13 25

E. F. SMITH ABATEMENT.

Cost on petition for abatement of 1902 tax by order of County Commissioners	$32 46	
A. P. Bassett, summoning witnesses	2 22	
D. S. Sanborn, witness fees	1 62	
H. M. Jackson, " "	1 86	
Alvin Brown, " "	1 96	
J. H. Bean, register of deeds, and W. J. Wheeler, town clerk of Paris, for abstracts	1 00	
		$41 12

SARAH D. HAWKINS CEMETERY LOT.

Cyrus Woodsum for care	$4 00	
J. F. Bolster, repairs on stone	3 00	
		$7 00

OTHER BILLS.

H. O. Holden, settlement of tax deeds by vote of town, March, 1903	$ 35 00
Rent of hall, etc., as per vote of town	570 90
Geo. A. Cole, collector, sale of tax deeds, 1903	81 87
Amos French for gravel bank	25 00
James Crockett, damage to sheep by dogs	4 00
A. P. Bassett, election expense	2 50

A. J. Stearns, expenses to Livermore in Lotta B. Stevens case	$ 6 43	
A. S. Kimball, services as moderator, March, 1903	5 00	
Freeland Howe, insurance on storehouse	5 63	
J. M. Cummings, teams	5 35	
S. A. Bennett, lotion for French family	80	
J. H. Bean, recording tax deeds	3 00	
A. C. Wheeler, plan of Norway for county records	5 00	
S. A. Stevens, surveyor	1 00	
B. C. A. Pingree, care of Mary A. Buck lot	4 00	
Norway Water Company for two fountains	100 00	
E. E. Witt, team expense	2 50	
		$857 98
Total miscellaneous bills paid		**$1,515 42**
Abatements allowed		434 71
Overdraft in repairs on school buildings account		37 22
Overdraft in poor account		222 34
Total amount paid from contingent fund		**$2,209 69**
Balance in fund, January 30, 1904		**$4,423 25**

FUNDS HELD IN TRUST BY TOWN.

Mary A. Buck fund, amount $350 00
Accepted by town for perpetual care of her cemetery lot.

Paid B. C. A. Pingree for care during year as shown in contingent fund $4 00

Sarah D. Hawkins fund, amount $500 00
Accepted by town for perpetual care of cemetery on Pike Hill and her lot therein, also care of Benson Hawkins lot in cemetery on Fore street, Oxford.

Paid Cyrus Woodsum for care $4 00
J. F. Bolster for repairs 3 00

Amount paid during the year $7 00

L. Ellen Frost fund, amount		$633 84
Amount secured by real estate mortgage	$500 00	
Deposited in Norway Savings Bank	133 84	
Amount in fund, Feb. 1, 1904	$633 84	

The principal of this fund is invested at 6 per cent. One half the interest is annually turned over toward the support of the Norway Public Library and the other half is deposited in the Norway Savings Bank.

Total amount of trust funds held by town $1,483 84

FINANCIAL STANDING OF TOWN.

RESOURCES.

Cash in hands of H. J. Bangs, treasurer	$5,619 46	
Due from Geo. A. Cole, collector on 1903 taxes	4,767 66	
" " " 1902 "	690 97	
" " " 1901 "	200 00	
" " " 1900 "	56 00	
" " " 1899 "	20 00	
Town of Oxford	37 75	
State for porcupine bounties	27 50	
Tax deeds	584 26	
L Ellen Frost Fund securities	633 84	
Miscellaneous bills due town	12 50	
		$12,649 94

LIABILITIES.

Amount of 4½ per cent. bonds, series of 1884	$4,000 00	
Amount of 3½ per cent. bonds, series of 1899	3,500 00	
Unpaid interest on 4½ per cent. bonds	15 00	
Unpaid interest on 3½ per cent. bonds	61 25	
Due common school fund	1,904 40	
Due high school fund	260 94	
Amount of funds held in trust by town	1,483 84	
Current bills outstanding, estimated	100 00	
		$11,325 43

Balance in favor of town $1,324 51

The matter of Henry O. Holden's claim against the town on account of tax deeds, which was left by vote of the town last March, to the selectmen for adjustment, has been settled.

After looking into Mr. Holden's claims, which were somewhat complicated, and hearing his explanations, we concluded there was something justly due him, and finally effected a settlement by the payment to him of the sum of $35.00.

A notice dated May 12, 1903, and signed by D. S. Sanborn, V. E. Dunn and H. M. Jackson was served on the town of Norway, setting forth the date of writ, amount of damages claimed and the declaration in full of an action brought by Gertrude G. Merrill against Albert P. Bassett.

The notice states that Albert P. Bassett has notified the said Sanborn, Dunn and Jackson that he should hold them responsible for whatever damages he may have already sustained or may be hereafter called upon to sustain and for all loss, cost and expense attending such suit.

The notice then states that said Sanborn, Dunn and Jackson hold the town of Norway responsible to them for whatever cost or damage said Bassett may recover against them on account of said action.

While we deplore the necessity of referring in any manner to the matter of these Merrill suits which have already received their full share of comment and discussion, yet we realize that this is a matter which the citizens of the town have a right to know about, and being fully informed can take such measures as they see fit.

As probably nearly all the town's people are aware the law court did not sustain the verdict of the lower court against Mr. Bassett and it is understood that the case is ended.

The roads have been carefully looked after during the past year by your road commissioners and we believe that the appropriations for both snow breaking and repairs on highways have been prudently and honestly expended.

We cannot close our report for the year that has just passed without making mention of the sad loss to our town in the death of Charles G. Mason, Esq., who served us so faithfully and efficiently as Town Clerk for sixteen consecutive years. To fill the vacancy thus

occurring and acting under the authority of the Statutes of this State, we appointed George L. Curtis to serve as Town Clerk for the remainder of the term. Mr. Curtis has made a painstaking and conscientious clerk and has performed the duties of his new office in a highly satisfactory manner.

Our relations with the various town officers have been uniformly pleasant and agreeable, and all have rendered us valuable assistance.

In submitting our annual report, we have endeavored to place before the citizens of the town a careful statement of all accounts which have passed through our hands during the year, and to make a brief explanation of such municipal matters as have received our attention or have been brought to our notice.

That we have failed to please all, we know. That we may have made some mistakes, we would not deny, yet we trust that our official acts have been accompanied by a sufficient degree of prudence and courteousness to in some degree merit the confidence reposed in us.

A. J. STEARNS,
EDWARD E. WITT,
F. L. MILLETT, } *Selectmen of Norway.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

H. J. Bangs, Treasurer of Norway.

DR.

To Rec'd	H. J. Bangs, Treas., 1902:	
	Cash	$4,265 69
	42 tax deeds, value to Treas	24 91
	C. P. Barnes, shingles sold	1 87
	C. P. Barnes, appliances sold	3 57
	A. J. Stearns, amount Frost fund	15 00
	Billiard and other licenses	21 00
	A. J. Stearns, account W. F. Hayes	22 52
	C. P. Barnes, paper sold	33 44
	H. S. Flint, account high way	50 00
	C. P. Barnes, tuition	111 50
	Redemption of tax deeds	126 66
	G. L. Curtis, dog tax	174 00
	Poultry sold from town farm	2 52
	Potatoes " " " "	3 00
	E. J. Hobbs, balance for mdse from town farm	6 37
	Eggs sold from town farm	16 57
	Heifer " " " "	18 00
	Sweet corn " " " "	24 57
	Beef " " " "	31 80
	Pork " " " "	177 88
	Cream " " " "	615 90
	Town of Bridgton	5 08
	Buxton	7 00
	Livermore	54 90
	Bethel	63 48
	Rumford	95 59

To Rec'd State, damage to sheep	$ 4 00	
" burial soldiers	35 00	
" public library account	60 20	
" R. R. and telegraph tax	60 24	
" rent armory	100 00	
" amount refunded on dog tax	122 06	
" free high school	375 00	
" soldiers' pensions	672 00	
" school fund and mill tax	2,173 35	
Collector's interest on 1902 tax	70 00	
" 1902 tax	6,400 00	
" 1903 "	19,000 00	
		$35,044 67

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By paid Postage	$ 1 90	
Tax deeds	4 02	
Porcupine bounties	27 50	
State treasurer, dog tax	174 00	
State, soldiers' pensions	672 00	
County tax	2,137 95	
State tax	3,570 89	
Balance on order No. 2112	650 00	
702 town orders	22,165 38	
36 tax deeds (value to treasurer)	21 57	
Cash on hand	5,619 46	
		$35,044 67

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. BANGS, Treasurer of Norway.

This may certify that we have this day examined the foregoing account of H. J. Bangs, Treasurer of the town of Norway, and find the same correct, and hereby approve and allow the same.

A. J. STEARNS,
EDWARD E. WITT,
F. L. MILLETT,
} *Selectmen of Norway.*

Norway, Jan. 30th, 1904.

WARRANT

FOR

TOWN MEETING.

To F. W. SANBORN, a citizen of the town of Norway, in the County of Oxford and State of Maine, Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said town of Norway qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Norway hall, in said Norway, on Monday, the seventh day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside over said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a town clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To choose a Board of Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, a Town Treasurer, Town Agent, a member of the Board of Superintending School Committee, two trustees of the Norway Public Library, a Tax Collector, and all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year, with the exception of a Road Commissioner.

Art. 4. To choose a Road Commissioner or Road Commissioners for the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To establish the price per day that the Road Commissioner or Road Commissioners shall receive for services.

Art. 6. To see what per cent. the town will vote to pay for collecting taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the extinguishment of the town debt.

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for a contingent fund for the ensuing year.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of the poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to pay interest charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for town officers' salaries for the ensuing year.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the repairs of highways and bridges for the ensuing year.

Art. 13. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to pay snow-breaking bills of the winter of 1903 and 1904.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of common schools for the ensuing year.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to be expended for free text books for the ensuing year.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for repairs on school buildings for the ensuing year.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to be expended for insurance on school property, and for apparatus and appliances for the ensuing year.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of a free high school for the ensuing year.

Art. 19. To see if the town will instruct the Superintending School Committee to maintain schools in the Yaggar, Crockett Ridge and Millettville neighborhoods, or any of them for the ensuing year.

Art. 20. To see if the town will instruct the Superintending School Committee to maintain school for the winter term, next ensuing, in the Frost Hill neighborhood.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for instruction in music in schools of eighteen pupils or more, for the ensuing year.

Art. 22. To fix upon the compensation the Superintendent of Schools shall receive for his services.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to accept the town way as laid out by the Selectmen on petition of J. K. Brown and others.

Art. 24. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support and maintainance of the Norway Public Library, for the ensuing year.

Art. 25. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for Memorial Day observance, for the ensuing year, to be expended by Harry Rust Post, No. 54, G. A. R.

Art. 26. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the observance of Memorial Day by the Spanish War veterans.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to allow the heirs of the late Samuel P. Frost such taxes as may be assessed upon the property of his estate, if they shall keep the road leading from the house of the said heirs by the house of Mason F. Frost in a suitable condition of repair for the ensuing year.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to fix a date when all taxes for the year A. D. 1904 shall become due and payable to the collector.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to charge interest and at what rate, and at what time interest shall commence on taxes not paid.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to pay each member of the Board of Superintending School Committee the sum of twenty-five dollars each year for his services.

Art. 31. To see if the town will vote to reimburse the Overseers of the Poor of 1902, to the extent of three hundred and twenty-five ($325.00) dollars and interest thereon in settlement of the Russell F. and Vera Merrill suits.

Art. 32. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to be expended on State road.

Art. 33. To see if the town will vote to establish and maintain a watering place on the highway opposite the house of Clinton Mills.

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the "Asa F. Needham road," so called, from the buildings of A. F. Needham to the Greenwood town line.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Selectmen's office for the purpose of receiving names and correcting the list of voters on the fifth day of March next from one to three o'clock in the afternoon, and also on Monday, March 7th, from nine to ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Given under our hands this 13th day of February, A D., 1904.

A. J. STEARNS,
EDWARD E WIFT,
F. L. MILLETT,
Selectmen of Norway.

NOTE. The above is not the official warrant, but contains all articles received up to date of publication of the Town Report.

VITAL STATISTICS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE.

To the Selectmen of the Town of Norway:

Gentlemen:—The following returns of births, marriages and deaths have been made to this office for the year 1903.

Geo. L. Curtis, Town Clerk.

SUMMARY.

BIRTHS.

Number of births.....55
" males.....25
" females.....30
Average number of births per year for 10 years previous to 1903:—
Births.....52
Male.....25
Female.....27

MARRIAGES.

Number of marriages.....45
Grooms, number of widowers.....3
" " divorced.....6
" oldest at date of marriage.....45
" youngest " " 17
" average " " 28
Brides, number of widows.....4
" " divorced.....4
" oldest at date of marriage.....40
" youngest " " 15
" average " " 24
Average number marriages per year for 10 years previous to 1903..35

DEATHS.

Number of deaths.....44
" males 25
" females.....19

Oldest person at date of death, 88 years, 4 months, 17 days.
Youngest " " " 1 day.
Average age " " 38 years, 11 months, 9 days.

Average number of deaths per year for 10 years previous to 1903:—
Deaths 43
Males.....21
Females 22

RECORD OF BIRTHS FOR THE YEAR 1903.

Jan. 9, To the wife of Henry B. Foster, a daughter, 2d child.
16, To the wife of Wiggin L. Merrill, a son, 2d child.
17, To the wife of Wm. F. Jones, a daughter, 4th child.
20, To the wife of Melvin A. Rowe, a son, 11th child.
25, To the wife of Arthur N. Tyler, a son, 3d child.
27, To the wife of J. H. Millett, a daughter, 2d child.
27, To the wife of Frank LaFrance, a daughter, 10th child.
28, To the wife of C. E. Hussey, a daughter, 3d child.
Feb. 3, To the wife of Harry F. Dale, a son, 2d child.
6, To the wife of Walter Purington, a daughter, 4th child.
8, To the wife of Frank W. Noyes, a son, 2d child.
18, To the wife of A. L. Wyman, a daughter, 2d child.
24, To the wife of Robert Walker, a son, 1st child.
26, To the wife of John M. Frank, a daughter, 1st child.
Mar. 11, To the wife of Joseph P. Martel, a daughter, 8th child.
13, To the wife of E. M. Thomas, a daughter, 3d child.
17, To the wife of Albert L. Sanborn, a daughter, 2d child.
17, To the wife of Percy Nevers, a son, 4th child.
20, To the wife of Alfred B. Hebbard, a daughter, 2d child.
22, To the wife of Fred A. Hunt, a daughter, 9th child.

Apr.	6,	To Rena M. Adams, a son, 1st child.
	15,	To the wife of Wilber M. Tucker, a son, 3d child.
	17,	To the wife of Arthur Robbins, a son, 2d child.
May	6,	To the wife of William J. Hascall, a daughter, 2d child.
	11,	To the wife of William A. Lewis, a daughter, 1st child.
	12,	To the wife of Clarence A. Hunt, a son, 4th child.
	27,	To the wife of Paul Locke, a son, 3d child.
	28,	To the wife of Webster H. Kilgore, a son, 2d child.
	28,	To the wife of Chas. H. Brown, a son, 3d child.
	31,	To the wife of Elden Stevens, a daughter, 7th child.
June	7,	To the wife of E. C. Holbrook, a son, 5th child.
	17,	To the wife of Ray Bradbury, a daughter, 4th child.
	19,	To the wife of Ellsworth Murch, a son, 1st child.
	27,	To the wife of C. A. Hemmingway, a daughter, 2d child.
July	7,	To the wife of Mason M. Kilgore, a son, 3d child.
	8,	To the wife of Eugene F. Smith, a daughter, 1st child.
	27,	To the wife of C. H. Downing, a daughter, 1st child.
	28,	To the wife of F. L. Haskell, a daughter, 5th child.
Aug.	16,	To the wife of Clarence A. Lowell, a son, 2d child.
	24,	To the wife of Chas. D. Herrick, a son, 4th child.
Sept.	7,	To the wife of Joseph A. Woods, a son, 5th child.
	17,	To the wife of Allen T. Crooker, a daughter, 5th child.
	27,	To the wife of Chas. A. D. Cushman, a son, 1st child.
Oct.	1,	To the wife of A. H. Kenerson, a daughter, 3d child.
	4,	To the wife of W. S. Thompson, a daughter, 3d child.
	6,	To the wife of Eugene F. Hayden, a daughter, 1st child.
	13,	To the wife of H. H. Hosmer, a son, 6th child.
	16,	To the wife of Stephen B. Cummings, a son, 2d child.
	19,	To the wife of Howard L. Drake, a son, 1st child.
Nov.	10,	To the wife of C. F. Harding, a daughter, 4th child.
Dec.	3,	To the wife of G. G. Bennett, a daughter, 1st child.
	6,	To Louise Richardson Barker, a daughter, 1st child.
	19,	To the wife of Chas. J. Bassinett, a daughter, 3d child.
	23,	To the wife of N. E. York, a son, 3d child.

RECORD OF MARRIAGES FOR THE YEAR 1903.

In Norway, January 11, by Rev. B. F. Fickett, Thomas Muirhead, age 45, and Carrie Lunettie Davis, age 35, both of Norway.

In Norway, January 17, by Chas. G. Mason, Esq , Wendell H. Tripp, age 18, and Carrie M. Dunn, age 18, both of Norway.

In South Paris, February 12, by Rev. Wm. E. Brooks, Frank D. Briggs, age 45, and Mary E. Lasselle, age 39, both of Norway.

In South Paris, February 22, by Rev. Jas. A. Flynn, Alphonse Boucher, age 26, of Norway, and Eva King, age 16, of Hastings.

In Norway, April 21, by Rev. Caroline E. Angell, Victor M. Whitman, age 25, of Amesbury, Mass., and Jessie L. Dinsmore, age 25, of Norway.

In Norway, April 22, by Rev. B. F. Fickett, Fred M. Davis, age 25, and Winnifred R. Bennett, age 18, both of Norway.

In Norway, April 27, by Rev. Caroline E. Angell, Albert Smith Dingley, age 31, of Augusta, and Alice May Raymond, age 32, of Richmond.

In Norway, May 13, by Rev. Edward S. Cotton, Edward Everett Harris, age 32, of Anson, and Wealthy Mabel Cox, age 27, of Norway.

In Norway, May 27, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, William Channing Blanchard, age 23, of Lewiston, and Lillian Estella Anderson, age 25, of Norway.

In Norway, June 1, by Rev. B. F. Fickett, Arthur Hebbard, age 38, and E. Stella M. Whitney, both of Norway.

In Norway, June 6, by Rev. Caroline E. Angell, Verne Aldrich, age 22, and Lera Frances Maxim, age 22, both of Norway.

In Auburn, June 10, by Rev. Chas. R. Tenney, Charles Simming Bartlett, age 30, of Auburn, and Bertha Clay Minard, age 25, of Norway.

In Norway, June 16, by Rev. Caroline E. Angell, Clarence H. Downing, age 35, and Honor A. Gurney, age 33, both of Norway.

In Norway, June 24, by Rev. Caroline E. Angell, Frank A. Barker, age 27, of Bath, and Frieda H. Schnuer, age 20, of Norway.

In Norway, June 25, by Rev. B. F. Fickett, George Everett Buck, age 42, and Mrs. Agnes E. Blake, age 28, both of Norway.

In South Paris, June 28, by Rev. Jas. A. Flynn, Arthur Morin, age 21, of Berlin, N. H., and Eva Lefrance, age 18, of Norway.

In Norway, June 30, by Rev. Chas. R. Tenney, Hal Roscoe Eaton, age 26, of Auburn, and Virginia Eleanor Sargent, age 20, of Norway.

In Norway, July 10, by Rev. Caroline E. Angell, Lester W. Cushman, aged 22, and Emily I. Irish, age 26, both of Lovell.

In Norway, July 28, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Herbert Irving Holt, age 43, of Norway, and Emma Alice Briggs, age 25, of Bethel.

In South Paris, July 26, by Rev. Jas. A. Flynn, James Philip McCrady, age 21, of Berlin, N. H., and Delvina A. Labrie, age 20, of Norway.

In Norway, August 12, by Rev. Caroline E. Angell, Walter Edward Tarr, age 29, and Ethel Leona Richardson, age 16, both of Norway.

In Norway, August 20, by Rev. B. F. Fickett, Henry S. Osborne, age 40, and Maria E. Bickford, age 38, both of Norway.

In Gorham, N. H., September 6, by Rev. Frederick H. Cole, William F. Durell, age 24, of Norway, and Lillian B. Lowell, age 16, of South Paris.

In Norway, September 13, by Rev. B. F. Fickett, Ned Cross, age 23, and Lillian Ross, age 22, both of Norway.

In Norway, September 19, by Rev. B. F. Fickett, Alfred Parke Haselton, age 26, and Annie Belle Allen, age 32, both of Waterford.

In Norway, September 26, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Sumner Smith, age 38, and Bertha E. Edwards, age 34, both of Otisfield.

In Norway, October 2, by Rev. B. F. Fickett, Fred Eastman, age 23, and Hannora Snow, age 19, both of Norway.

In Norway, October 3, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Elmer Ellsworth Thomas, age 42, and Lena Maud Small, age 28, both of South Paris.

In South Paris, October 14, by Rev. James H. Little, Frank Augustus Hayden, age 35, of Norway, and Ethel Mae Dean, age 22, of South Paris.

In Norway, October 28, by Rev. Caroline E. Angell, George Henry Cullinan, age 26, and Fannie Whitney Cummings, age 25, both of Norway.

In Norway, October 31, by Rev. B. F. Fickett, Edwin Alfonzo Glines, age 24, and Emma Louise Dunham, age 22, both of Norway.

In Norway, November 4, by Rev. B. F. Fickett, Harold R. Bennett, age 21, and Grace Belle Pratt, age 21, both of Norway.

In Norway, November 11, by Rev. Caroline E. Angell, Henry Eugene Fifield, age 24, and Eva Myrt French, age 19, both of Norway.

In Norway, November 12, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Alvinzie Lombard Proctor, age 30, and Florence Marion Paragard, age 32, both of Norway.

In Norway, November 14, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Ralph Elwin Edwards, age 18, and Ethel Louise Kennison, age 16, both of Oxford.

In Norway, November 14, by Rev. Caroline E. Angell, Frank Howard Hurd, age 38, and Annie J. Crockett, age 40, both of Norway.

In Norway, November 25, by Rev. Caroline E. Angell, Edwin W. Rolfe, age 34, of Albany, and Alice D. Mills, age 15, of Bethel.

In Norway, November 26, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Samuel Baker Stuart, age 31, of Harrison, and Elena Rose Edwards, age 22, of Otisfield.

In Paris, December 5, by Rev. H. H. Bishop, William L. Libby, age 36, of Norway, and Nellie Florence Whitman, age 21, of Paris.

In Norway, December 12, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Levi Crockett, age 22, of South Paris, and Alice Gertrude Millett, age 17, of Norway.

In Norway, December 12, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Guy W. Bancroft, age 24, and Rosa M. Bryant, age 19, both of Albany.

In Norway, December 19, by Rev. Caroline E. Angell, Levi F. Richardson, age 35, and Eva T. Bradbury, age 19, both of Norway.

In South Paris, December 23, by Rev. Hermon S. Pinkham, Charles Earl Swan, age 20, and May L. Fogg, age 26, both of Norway.

In Norway, December 23, by Rev. B. F. Fickett, Webster Cleveland Goodwin, age 19, and Nellie May Wheeler, age 18, both of Norway.

In Norway, December 24, by Rev. William E. Brooks, Herbert H. Gray, age 17 of Oxford, and Esther L. Edwards, age 17, of Norway.

RECORD OF DEATHS FOR THE YEAR 1903.

January 7, Lucinda E. Foss, age 75 years, 8 months, 3 days. Birthplace, Wayne. Cause of death, apoplexy.

January 7, Frank Quarters, age 77 years. Birthplace, Canada. Cause of death, organic heart disease.

January 9, Henry A. M. Bradbury, age 72 years, 4 months, 20 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, disease of heart.

January 12, Gerald Neal Keough, age 4 months, 15 days. Birthplace, Auburn. Cause of death, meningitis (tuberculor).

January 24, Amanda Saunders, age about 79 years. Birthplace, unknown. Cause of death, senile debility.

January 30, Solomon I. Millett, age 86 years, 9 months, 18 days. Cause of death, heart disease and old age.

February 6, Mercy C. Foley, age 69 years, 8 months, 3 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, organic disease of heart.

February 9, Elinor May Millett, age 12 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, la grippe.

February 10, Ezekiel C. Jackson, age 81 years, 11 months, 7 days. Birthplace, Paris. Cause of death, old age.

February 10, William Frank Hayes, age 66 years. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, suicide by Paris green.

February 11, Antoynette Crockett, age 63 years, 1 month, 28 days. Cause of death, pneumonia and la grippe.

March 6, Philip Ernest Walker, age 11 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, convulsions.

March 24, Babe of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hebbard, age 4 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, imperfect development.

April 5, Jacob F. Holt, Jr, age 25 years, 3 months, 14 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, pulmonary tuberculosis.

April 6, Babe of Harold E. Swan. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, nearly stillborn.

April 18, Joseph W. Kimball, age 83 years, 1 month, 18 days. Birthplace, Bethel. Cause of death, intestinal obstruction.

April 19, John A. French, age 85 years, 9 months, 7 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, apoplexy.

April 20, Charles G. Mason, age 45 years, 11 months, 16 days. Birthplace, Bethel. Cause of death, nephritis.

April 26, Ava B. Wyman, age 2 months, 8 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, marasmus.

April 29, Pembroke S. Sessions, age 67 years, 24 days. Birthplace, Rhode Island. Cause of death, organic disease of heart.

May 4, Sarah Lord, age 88 years, 4 months, 17 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, senile debility.

May 9, Mary F. Stearns Davis, age 66 years, 11 months, 23 days. Birthplace, Bethel. Cause of death, chronic albuminuria.

May 13, Harry E. Stiles, age 7 years, 11 months, 9 days. Birthplace, Bethel. Cause of death, hemorrhage from tongue.

May 30, Mary Files Danforth, age 49 years. Birthplace, Otisfield. Cause of death, uterine hemorrhage and tumor (fibrous).

June 8, Mary Frances Jordan, age 67 years, 1 month, 14 days. Birthplace, Albany. Cause of death, pneumonia and heart trouble.

June 11, Ephraim Heald Brown, age 84 years, 9 months. Birthplace, Carlisle, Mass. Cause of death, heart disease and old age.

June 20, Babe of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence A. Hunt, age 1 month, 8 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, congestion of lungs.

July 16, Sophronia Churchill, age 71 years, 3 months, 6 days. Birthplace, Woodstock. Cause of death, chronic Bright's disease.

August 1, T. H. Minard, age 72 years, 7 months, 3 days. Birthplace, Cabot, Vt. Cause of death, cancer of liver.

August 16, Lewis B. Swett, age 72 years. Birthplace, Hartford. Cause of death, chronic Bright's disease.

August 21, Delia Bedard, age 37 years, 11 months, 23 days. Birthplace, St. Jean des Chaillons, Que. Cause of death, breach and gangrene.

August 28, Albert F. Andrews, age 67 years, 10 months. Birthplace, Otisfield. Cause of death, fatty degeneration of heart.

September 14, Mary A. Briggs, age 66 years, 2 months, 24 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, apoplexy.

September 21, Jane Gammon, age 86 years, 24 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, old age.

September 23, Coleman Leslie Kilgore, age 2 months, 15 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, meningitis.

September 27, Sarah Hannah Morse, age 50 years, 8 months, 27 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, cancer of liver and gall bladder.

September 30, Mary P. Cullinan, age 63 years, 10 months, 11 days. Birthplace, Ireland. Cause of death, cancer of liver.

October 10, James Smith, age 66 years. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, valvular disease of heart.

November 17, Martha E. Kimball, age 33 years, 6 months, 14 days. Birthplace, Sweden. Cause of death, pneumonia.

November 18, Albert French, age 67 years, 8 months, 25 days. Birthplace, New Sharon. Cause of death, pneumonia.

December 6, Ira Moulton, age 70 years, 9 months, 1 day. Birthplace, Freedom, N. H. Cause of death, organic disease of heart.

December 11, Martha A. Owen, age 68 years, 8 months. Birthplace, Portland. Cause of death, pneumonia.

December 12, Winifred Neal Robbins, age 8 months, 1 day. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, pneumonia.

December 22, Ansel Dinsmore, age 88 years. Cause of death, cancer of lip.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDING

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The school committee, Mr. George E. Tubbs, member for one year, Mr. Frank Kimball, member for two years, and Mr. John A. Roberts, member for three years, met for the purpose of organization on March 13, 1903, and elected Mr. George E. Tubbs, chairman.

At this meeting it was voted to delegate to the Superintendent of schools the following powers and duties, in addition to those required of him by law, viz.:—

1. To examine and certificate teachers.

2. To purchase text-books, apparatus and appliances, and have the care of the same.

3. To have the custody and care of schoolhouses.

4. To direct the truant officer in the performance of his duties.

5. To determine what description of scholars shall attend each school, classify them, and transfer them from school to school.

6. To examine pupils seeking admission to the high school.

Several changes in teachers were made during the year. The resignation of Miss Janet C. Stephens, assistant in the high school, was accepted at the end of the spring term, and Miss Grace B. Bicknell, who had just completed a successful year in the high school at Williams, Mass., was elected assistant.

Vacancies in the graded schools were filled by the election of graduates of our State Normal school.

The course of study has been revised, printed, and copies furnished each parent in town.

The funds for support of common schools have been expended as shown by the following account:

COMMON SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

		DR.	
To	Bal. 1902 appropriation	$1,533 29	
	1903 appropriation	3,850 00	
	Amount received from State	2,173 35	
			$7,556 64
		CR.	
By	Teachers' wages and board	$4,654 00	
	Fuel	442 24	
	Janitors' services	334 00	
	Conveying pupils	222 00	
	Bal. for expenses of winter term	1,904 40	
			$7,556 64

The expense of the Free High School has been as follows:

FREE HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

		DR.	
To	Bal. 1902 appropriation	$ 388 81	
	1903 appropriation	1,600 00	
	Amount received from State	375 00	
			$2,363 81
		CR.	
By	Teachers' wages	$2,102 87	
	Bal. for salaries for winter term	260 94	
			$2,363 81

The money available for free text books has been expended as follows:

TEXT BOOK ACCOUNT.

		DR.	
To	1903 appropriation	$400 00	
	Credit for worn out books	37 72	
	Books sold	1 64	
			$439 36
By	High school text books as follows:	CR.	
	36 French grammar	$27 45	
	3 French dictionary	2 16	
	28 French reader	8 55	
	1 French composition	11	
	15 Sets bookkeeping blanks	5 40	
	25 Latin grammar	25 50	
	18 Latin first book	15 25	
	15 Cicero's Orations	16 25	
	4 English history	5 18	

By	6 Physics	$ 6 25
	3 Geology	2 34
	18 Botany	22 50
	16 Astronomy	16 00
	7 Geometry	5 26
	10 Physical geography	10 42
	12 Ancient history	10 00
	6 Rhetoric	5 00
	4 Teachers' desk book	99
	1 International Year Book	3 20

COMMON SCHOOL TEXTS.

	4 Sets bookkeeping blanks	$ 1 67
	53 Readers, grade one	12 23
	53 " " two	14 81
	61 " " three	20 42
	30 " " four	12 00
	36 " " nine	7 07
	100 Language lessons, No. 1	28 00
	60 " " No. 2	36 00
	40 Arithmetics	11 20
	40 United States histories	33 33
	20 Geographies	20 83
	13 Teachers' desk books	6 65
	Express, freight, postage and carting	21 11
	Paid American Book Co. on account	26 23
		$439 36

For insurance, apparatus, appliances, etc., etc., we have expended the money raised as follows:

INSURANCE, APPARATUS, ETC., ACCOUNT.

		DR.	
To	1903 appropriation	$500 00	
	Paper sold	35 37	
	Tuition	31 05	
			$566 42

		CR.
By	rubber stamps	$ 1 90
	2 historical charts	40 00
	100 blank diplomas	28 00

By 19 diplomas filled for graduates	$ 4 75	
Removing rocks, grading and seeding rear of Academy lot	46 50	
2 gallons liquid slating	8 00	
1 set Lane's liquid color and apparatus	4 16	
20 gross pens	7 60	
10 gross pencils	9 50	
4 dozen erasers	2 00	
1 dozen common school registers	9 00	
150 alphabet cards	2 25	
32 dozen writing books	22 27	
4 gallons school ink	1 25	
4 gross colored crayon	2 80	
1 dozen crayon holders	60	
Slated cloth for blackboard	90	
Norway Water Company	34 80	
Physical and chemical supplies	6 41	
500 copies course of study	25 50	
Insurance on Holt house	10 31	
Insurance on Center house	13 13	
Insurance on text books	53 25	
Paper	72 20	
Primary busy work	35 54	
Printing	26 43	
Express, freight and carting	27 09	
Maps	25 00	
Flags	20 09	
Minor supplies for twenty-three schools	16 13	
Desk books	9 06	
		$566 42

Repairs have been made on Lake, Holt and Center houses, and bills for double windows at Academy and shingles for Chapel house, purchased last year, paid, and the usual repairs as follows:—

REPAIRS ACCOUNT.

	DR.	
To 1903 appropriation	$500 00	
Cash for old shed at Holt house	5 00	
" " clapboards	2 00	
Shingles sold	1 87	
Tuition	80 45	
Bal. from town contingent fund	37 22	
		$626 54

		CR.	
By Double windows purchased in 1902	$ 49 12		
Shingles at Chapel, " "	30 88		
Teacher's desk at high school	14 00		
Desks for Center house	60 33		
Freight and trucking on same	8 84		
Material and labor on village houses	44 44		
" " rural "	338 38		
Cleaning 25 rooms and outhouses	80 55		
			$626 54

At the last annual town meeting the committee was authorized to maintain schools at Yagger, Pike Hill and Frost Hill, despite the low attendance. For the three terms last completed the attendance at Yagger has averaged 6.7, at Pike Hill 8.1 and at Frost Hill 4.7.

During the past fall arrangements were made to transport the pupils living in the Frost Hill neighborhood to Pike Hill and the Lake, so that there was no school at Frost Hill that term. Pike Hill school has maintained the required attendance; but if schools are to be maintained at Yagger which averaged 6.7, at Frost Hill which averaged 4.7, at Crockett Ridge which has averaged 7.66, and at Millettville, which has averaged 6.6 the last three terms, such must be the vote of the town.

We would recommend that the committee be authorized to maintain schools for the year at Yagger, Crockett Ridge and Millettville, and a winter term at Frost Hill.

It is our experience that the cost of textbooks for pupils in school for a year does not vary much from one dollar a head. Last year we attempted to supply our pupils in common and high schools on an appropriation of $400, and as a result have been obliged to purchase on credit books to the value of $124.21.

During this year we must pay about $200 in insurance premiums, and therefore we must recommend the appropriation of the following sums:—

For Common school account	$3,850 00
Text book account	600 00
Repairs account	400 00
Insurance, apparatus and appliances	500 00
Free high school account	1,700 00

Signed,

GEO. E. TUBBS,
FRANK KIMBALL,
J. A. ROBERTS,
} *Superintending School Committee.*

Norway, Jan. 30, 1904.

REPORT OF

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Norway, Me., January 31, 1904.

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Norway:

I have the honor to submit this my fifth annual report of the condition and work of our public schools for the year now closing.

We have maintained twenty-two common schools for the spring and winter terms, and twenty-one during the fall, employing only twenty-nine teachers. Eight of this number are graduates of Normal schools; six have taken partial courses at such schools, eight more are tried teachers of value proved by more than five years successful experience. The remaining seven teachers are beginners at the business, at least in Norway, and are gaining their experience.

Our books, course of studies and methods of teaching, even in the rural schools, are different from the ordinary country school books and curriculum, and we require a superior class of teachers. That some failed to meet our requirements in the measure demanded is evidenced by the fact that twenty-nine were employed in twenty-two schools. Teaching is a science that all cannot master. Because one

is graduated from a first-class high school is not even prima facie evidence that she can teach in Norway. Even Normal training, or years of teaching in country schools will not equip everyone for teaching. But Normal training given the right one produces a teacher who is eagerly sought, not only by school authorities here but everywhere else as well. I wish I could say a word that would induce the girl graduates of Norway High School to prepare themselves by Normal training for the profession of teaching.

It is true there are good teachers who have not been normally trained; it is also true there are poor teachers who have been normally trained. This leads me to say that if you attend a Normal school, it does not follow that you will become a successful teacher.

And this is because so much of what is essential to success is a matter of happy native endowment, and, therefore, not in the power of the Normal school to give. Physique, presence, health, temper, scholarly power, tact, patience, ambition, moral spirit, lovableness—the basis of all these comes not from schools but from ancestry and surroundings. This foundation wanting, no Normal school can make it good. This foundation present, you can, with the aid of the Normal school, build more rapidly and securely upon it than would otherwise be possible.

The Normal school will give you a quicker insight into the nature of education, put you earlier upon right methods, save you from many mistakes,—in short, furnish you with the great lessons that have come from the study of the teaching process and from the history of teaching in the past,—for you need as a teacher to begin where the successful experience of the world has left off. It is a clear waste for you to spend years in discovering what is already known. Moreover, you have no right to gain at the expense of your pupils what you should gain beforehand at your own expense.

Should you enter a normal school, the work it will try to do for you may be roughly sketched under the following heads:—

1. It will aim to unfold to you the principles of teaching as drawn from the laws of mental activity and exemplified in the teaching experience of the world. This aim involves the study of educational psychology and educational history.

2. It will aim to show you how these principles may be applied in elementary instruction. This aim requires (1) that you shall be

familiar with the subjects of instruction before you enter the Normal school, and (2) that you shall take them up again from the teacher's standpoint and study critically how to develop them with children in accordance with sound principles.

The Normal course should start from your intelligence, and not from your ignorance. It wants your energies for the science and art of presentation, not for the conquest of what should already be known.

3. The Normal school will try to show you what education really is,—that it creates nothing new, that it builds on nature, that it is development under guidance, that it has continuity, and that a close and vital connection, therefore, exists between primary instruction and all that comes after it. In other words, the great highways of knowledge and training begin with the lowest grade and run through the highest, so that, if you wish to meet modern demands, it is no longer reading, writing and arithmetic that you must teach, but the world that is about the child and the great laws and thoughts of that world.

These thoughts the child must be led to grasp and express, not in their fullness, for that would be beyond him; not all of them or most of them, for that, too, would be impossible; but a few of them, such as suit his years and enlist his interest, so that they may become, as it were, nuclei or axes or centers of a growth that is worth fostering, and will cease only with the life. But how can you put little children on the track of these great thoughts unless you know the field where you profess to be a guide?

4. Further, there is the general administration of a school,—all that relates to neatness, order, discipline, health, manners, morals, the requirements of good citizenship, and, in general, to one's making the best and most of one's self in life. The normal school recognizes two classes of agencies that are potent in the schoolroom, the one relating to the externals of school management and the other to the atmosphere or spirit of that management; the one as exhibited in intelligent direction of the school, or in what the teacher consciously does, and the other in silent influence exerted upon the school, or in what the teacher unconsciously is. Agencies of the former class bear analysis; they can be directly learned. Agencies of the latter class baffle analysis; they are strong only as the aim is sound, the heart right and the life earnest. Now the aim of the normal school is to expound to you the one class and to foster

in you the growth of the other; and the high purpose of its teachers is to be themselves what they would have you be—intelligent in directing and noble in living. If you are thinking of entering the ranks of the teachers, as you hope for success train yourself in the Normal school.

Under no circumstances have you a just claim to be employed as a teacher except that which fitness to do the work of a teacher gives you. Other claims than those of fitness no school board has a moral right to respect. If such fitness exists, there is not only room for you—there is a pressing demand for you—in the schools of Maine.

Our schools are improving from year to year, and when our teachers are all of them fitted in a high sense for their work, the people will be getting full measure, pressed down and running over for the money they expend upon the education of their youth.

In the year 1902 1903 the school season was of only twenty-eight weeks; this spring we hope will fill out thirty-two weeks to maintain an average of thirty, which is at least four weeks short of the ideal school year.

Last year the no-school signal was not once rung. This year it has sounded twice before the middle of January.

In the rural district the school should be the center of the social and artistic life of the community, and the building and grounds should be a constant reminder of the advantage and benefit of neat, beautiful and uplifting surroundings. In village and country, teachers, pupils and parents have become more and more interested in beautifying and adorning grounds and schoolhouse walls, and providing the children with helpful books.

A beginning has been made in hanging about the rooms pictures, providing books and caring neatly for the grounds. The schoolhouse at Norway Lake would be a surprise to the visitor from many sections of the town, supplied as it has been by teachers, parents and pupils with things of use and beauty, and a most encouraging feature during this year has been the organization of a School Improvement League in that district, and the consequent improvement of the school property there.

The grading of grounds, purchase of works of art, and planting of trees in proper places, all these have a lasting effect for good on the

often thoughtless boy and girl, and the Superintendent takes this opportunity to thank heartily all who have in any measure contributed thereto.

It is worth while to record here in permanent form the result of the efforts of those interested in our schools, in the purchase of books for school libraries. To my mind the benefit derived directly and indirectly from the reading of good books is the greatest good attainable by pupils in addition to their regular studies.

Norway Lake school pupils have in the past few years secured 11 library books, Pike Hill school, 25, Crockett Ridge, 27, Noble's Corner, 34, and the Pierce school this past fall term begins with 6 volumes.

In our graded schools the fourth grade has 22, the sixth grade, 9, the seventh grade, 17, the eighth grade, 18, and the ninth grade has one book as a beginning. Additions to these collections in the way of gifts would be most highly appreciated.

All of the rural schools but three have bought flags, in practically every instance gentlemen of the district contributing a staff or pole and labor to set the same. In the graded schools nearly all rooms are supplied with flags, secured in the first place by the efforts of pupils and teachers, and it has been the policy of the committee to keep the supply good, a policy of which all good citizens highly approve.

The Lake and Crockett schools have within the year purchased twelve-inch full meridian globes, and every schoolroom in town except three have on their walls framed pictures, quietly teaching the observing pupils their lessons of inspiration and endeavor. Wisely selected objects of adornment for schoolroom walls are gifts to a whole neighboroood that speak long after the lips of the giver are dumb.

Without particularly-designating the individual instances let me assure you that the improvement during the year in some of our schools has been marked.

I close with the thought intimated in the first part of my report, that our most certain hope of improvement in schools lies in our prospective teachers improving themselves by professional training. My thanks are tendered the committee for their loyal support, and citizens throughout the town for favors conferred.

We have on hand at present the following books for use in our common schools:

Readers	1698
Arithmetics	577
Spellers	458
Physiologies	388
Geographies	298
Language Lessons	232
Histories	209
Grammars	101

Signed,

CHARLES P. BARNES,

Superintendent of Schools.

Norway, Jan. 30, 1904.

The table of statistics is appended.

TABLE OF STATISTICS.

Number of scholars in town, April 1, 1903	778
Number of pupils enrolled during year	630
Average attendance in schools for longest term of year	524.1

Number of public schools, year 1903:

High	1
Graded	10
Rural	12
Number of schoolhouses in town	17
" " fit for use	16
" " in use spring and winter terms	15
" " " fall term	14
" rooms " spring and winter terms	25
" teachers employed fall term	24
" " " spring and winter terms	25

NAME OF SCHOOL	TEACHERS	No. of Pupils Registered	Average Attendance	Per Cent. of Attendance	Visits of Citizens & Parents	Length of School in w'ks	Wages of Teachers a w'k
	WINTER TERM, 1902						
High	Verne M. Whitman	90	84	93	7	10	$26 56
	Percival E. Hathaway						17 18
	Janet C. Stephens						14 06
Ninth Grade	Agnes E Sanborn	26	23	88	8	10	8 00
Eighth Grade	Winnifred Ladd	26	24	92	10	10	8 00
Seventh Grade	Bessie B. Towne	33	31	94	13	10	8 00
Sixth Grade	Alice M. Rounds	39	35 1	90	8	10	8 00
Fifth Grade	Isabel A. Woodbury	29	26	90		10	8 00
Fourth Grade	Cora B. Shedd	34	29 2	86	15	10	8 00
Third Grade	Harriet E Cragin	31	22 9	74	11	10	8 00
Middle Primary	Gertrude Gardner	30	21 6	72	20	10	8 00
Upper Primary	Mercy E. Millett	32	24 6	77	17	10	8 00
Lower Primary	Sadie E. Millett	22	19 6	89	6	10	7 00
Swift	Minnie A. Cox	12	11 4	95	8	9	6 00
Centre	Katherine M. Towne	13	12	92	10	8	6 00
Yagger	Irene F. Hazen	9	7 6	85	14	11	6 00
Lake	Elizabeth O Lasselle	22	20 1	91	7	9	6 00
Pike	Evelyn B. Partridge	6	5 8	96	2	9	6 00
Crockett	Margaret W. Maloney	8	7 8	86		9	6 00
Frost	Alice D. Gammon.	8	5	63	16	9	6 00
Millett	Philip F. Stone	7	6 6	94	1	9	6 00
Noble	Josephine P. Shedd	17	14 7	86	26	9	6 00
Chapel	Augusta H. French	10	9 3	93	5	9	6 00
Pierce	Elsie M. Reynolds	15	12	80		9	6 00
Holt	Edna I. Brown	12	9	76	3	8	6 00
	SPRING TERM, 1903						
High	Verne M. Whitman	89	84	94	14	14	26 56
	Percival E. Hathaway						17 18
	Janet C Stephens						14 06
Ninth Grade	Agnes E Sanborn	27	25 3	94	4	12	8 00
Eighth Grade	Winnifred Ladd	26	24	92	13	12	8 00
Seventh Grade	Bessie B. Towne	33	30 6	93	6	12	8 00
Sixth Grade	Alice M. Rounds	41	36 9	90	6	12	8 00
Fifth Grade	Isabel A Woodbury	31	26	84	12	12	8 00
Fourth Grade	Cora B. Shedd	31	25 8	83	15	12	8 00
Third Grade	Harriet E Cragin	35	27 9	80	14	12	8 00
Middle Primary	Gertrude Gardner	32	26 5	83	8	12	8 00
Upper Primary	Mercy E. Millett	37	31 9	86	8	12	8 00
Lower Primary	Sadie E. Millett	24	21 6	90	15	12	8 00
Swift	Minnie A Cox	12	11 6	97	8	10	6 00
Centre	Katherine M. Towne	17	15 7	92		10	6 00
Yagger	Harriet Walker	6	5 8	94	24	9	6 00
Lake	Elizabeth O Lasselle.	25	23 1	92	10	10	6 00
Pike	Alice D Gammon	10	8 8	88	11	10	6 00
Crockett	Harriet Walker	8	7 3	91	3	9	6 00
Frost	Winnifred Ladd	6	4	67	8	10	6 00
Millett	Philip F Stone	7	6 6	94	2	10	6 00
Noble	Josephine P Shedd	18	16	89	27	10	6 00
Chapel	Augusta H. French	10	9 3	93	4	10	6 00
Pierce	M. Alice Bartlett	15	12 5	83	5	10	6 00
Holt	Edna I. Brown	14	10 5	75	7	10	6 00
	FALL TERM, 1903						
High	Verne M. Whitman	102	96	94	10	10	28 12½
	Percival E. Hathaway						20 31¼
	Grace B Bicknell						13 00
Ninth Grade	Agnes E Sanborn	26	24 4	94	6	10	8 00
Eighth Grade	Winnifred Ladd	28	25 5	91	8	10	8 00
Seventh Grade	Annie S Emery	39	36 9	95	7	10	8 00
Sixth Grade	Grace L Griffith	33	29	88	8	10	8 00
Fifth Grade	Ella H Irish	30	28	93	9	10	8 00
Fourth Grade	Cora B. Shedd	25	23 8	95	8	10	8 00
Third Grade	Harriet E Cragin	39	33 7	86	5	10	8 00
Middle Primary.	Gertrude Gardner	32	29 3	92	12	10	8 00
Upper Primary	Mercy E Millett	34	28 8	85	10	10	8 00
Lower Primary	Sadie E. Millett	20	18 2	91	15	10	8 00
Swift	Minnie A Cox	12	11	92	11	10	6 00
Centre	Katherine M Towne	16	14 8	93	18	10	6 00
Yagger	Bessie B. Towne	7	6 8	97	8	10	6 00
Lake	Elizabeth O Lasselle	27	23	85	8	9	6 00
Pike	Alice D Gammon	12	10	83	12	11	6 00
Crockett	L. Adalade Chaplin	9	7 9	88		9	6 00
Millett	Lizzie M Johnson	7	6 7	96	9	10	6 00
Noble	Josephine P Shedd	16	14 4	90	24	10	6 00
Chapel.	Augusta H. French	10	9 4	94	8	10	6 00
Pierce	Philip F. Stone	9	8	88	10	10	6 00
Holt	Lulu W. Frost	16	13 5	84		10	6 00

Public Library Report

To the Board of Management of Norway Public Library:

For the fiscal year, ending January 31st, 1904, I have the honor to make the following statement of the receipts and expenditures.

RECEIPTS.

1903.			
Feb.	1,	To Balance on hand as per last report	$ 8 94
May	6,	Fines collected by librarian, to date	5 28
June	6,	Town order No. 7640	40 00
July	2,	Fines collected by librarian	4 54
	6,	Town order No. 7736	50 00
Aug.	1,	Town order No. 7774	120 00
Oct.	1,	Catalogues sold by librarian	85
		One card " " "	20
		Fines collected by librarian	4 90
		Town order No. 7841	75 00
Dec.	16,	Balance order paid Geo. A. Cole, for rent, paid by selectmen	20 00
		Same for insurance paid Freeland Howe by selectmen	37 50
	30,	Town order for balance of library appropriation, etc	182 70

1904.

Jan.	1,	Fines collected by librarian.....	$ 5 90	
		Catalogues sold by librarian.....	1 30	
	16,	Bearce fund income.....	36 06	
		Hawkins fund income.....	8 37	
		Total receipts.....		601 54

The above receipts have been received from the following sources to wit:

Balance unexpended in 1903.....	$ 8 94	
Town voted for library in 1903.....	450 00	
Received from state.....	60 20	
Bearce Fund, one-half net income.....	36 06	
Frost Fund, " " "	15 00	
Hawkins Fund, " " "	8 37	
Fines collected.....	20 62	
Catalogues sold.....	2 15	
Cards sold.....	20	
		$601 54

EXPENDITURES.

1903.

Mar.	7,	Paid Loring, Short & Harmon, books...	$ 5 00
May	6,	Kate G. Monahan, salary to date..	33 48
		Cleaning library rooms.....	1 50
		Oil.....	75
		Freight on books.....	25
		Cash book for librarian.....	25
	28,	Wm. W. Roberts, record book....	7 25
July	2,	Alice R. Woodsum, salary to July 1	23 50
		Two window shades for library...	2 43
		Oil	30
		Dust pan.....	10
	6,	Express on books.....	95
	28,	Alice M. Baker, work on book list	35
Aug.	1,	Loring, Short & Harmon, books..	112 73
	7,	Loring, Short & Harmon, books..	16 67
	13,	Llewellyn H. Cushman, truckage.	10
Sept.	3,	F. W. Sanborn, printing catalogue	20 00
		F. W. Sanborn, printing cards....	3 00

1903			
Oct.	1,	Alice R. Woodsum, salary to date	$ 39 00
		Two cans glue	90
		Brush	10
		Ink and matches	10
		Oil	42
		Index book	25
		Express on books	35
	5,	Merrill & Webber, repairing and binding books and magazines	21 50
	16,	Dodd, Mead & Co., part payment of New International encyclopædia	35 00
		J. O. Crooker, rent to April 1, '03, (paid by selectmen to Geo. A. Cole)	20 00
		Freeland Howe, insurance on books (paid by selectmen)	37 50
1904.			
Jan.	1,	Alice R. Woodsum, salary to date	39 00
		Oil	1 17
	2,	J. O. Crooker, rent to Jan. 1, '04.	90 00
		J. O. Crooker for heating library.	21 00
	4,	Frank Kimball, magazines and supplies for year	18 27
	8,	Haywood & Small, magazines for 1904	12 25
	21,	E. F. Smith, postage, etc., for year	1 00
		J. O. Crooker, rent to Feb. 1, '04.	10 00
		Cash on hand to balance	25 12
		Total expenditures	**$601 54**

Bills outstanding will amount to cash on hand.

EUGENE F. SMITH, Treasurer Norway Public Library.

We have this day examined the books and accounts of Eugene F. Smith, treasurer of Norway Public Library, for the year ending Jan. 31, '04, and hereby certify that they are correct. There are proper vouchers on file for all expenditures, and cash on hand to balance as stated in the above report.

Dated at Norway, Jan. 30th, 1904.

A. J. STEARNS,
EDWARD E. WITT,
F. L. MILLETT,
Selectmen of Norway.

REPORT OF

BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Selectmen of Norway:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Health have the honor of submitting our annual report for the year 1903.

We have had eleven cases of scarlet fever. We have had one case of whooping cough, six cases of measles, two cases of typhoid fever, one case of consumption.

We are glad to note that there is a diminution of consumption. It is not only so in this town, but in all the towns in the State, and it is so through the United States. The deaths from consumption in New York have decreased 40 per cent. since its Health Department began its crusade against the disease two years ago. Let the good work go on.

Nineteen cases of nuisance have been reported for the past year.

H. E. MIXER,
GEO. W. HOLMES,
S. A. BENNETT,
} *Board of Health.*

Mills, W. Clinton.

Town Report

NORWAY

1905

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF NORWAY

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31,

1905

NORWAY, ME.:
THE ADVERTISER BOOK PRINT.
1905.

TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor:

A. J. STEARNS EDWARD E. WITT F. L. MILLETT

Clerk:

GEO. L. CURTIS

Treasurer:

H. J. BANGS

Town Agent:

JAMES O. CROOKER

Collector:

GEO. A. COLE

Superintending School Committee:

JOHN A. ROBERTS GEO. E. TUBBS
FRANK KIMBALL

Superintendent of Schools:

CHARLES P. BARNES

Board of Health:

S. A. BENNETT, M. D., *Sec'y* WM. C. LEAVITT
GEO. W. HOLMES

Truant Officer:

GEO. W. LOCKE

Inspector of Buildings:

MORRILL M. FULLER

Trustees of Norway Public Library:

JOHN A. ROBERTS
REV. B. S. RIDEOUT } Term expires March, 1905

E. F. SMITH
W. C. LEAVITT } Term expires March, 1906

M. L. KIMBALL
B. F. BRADBURY } Term expires March, 1907

ORGANIZATION

President, JOHN A. ROBERTS Vice-President, B. S. RIDEOUT
Treasurer, E. F. SMITH Secretary, W. C. LEAVITT

To the Citizens of the Town of Norway:—

The following annual reports for the fiscal year ending Jan. 31, 1905, are hereby respectfully submitted by your town officers.

YEAR 1904

ASSESSORS' REPORT

Valuation of property and number of polls in town as taken April 1st, 1904:

Valuation of real estate of resident owners..	$844,885 00	
" " " non-resident owners.	105,295 00	
Total valuation of real estate.....		$950,180 00
Val. of personal property of resident owners.	$258,794 00	
" " " non-resident owners	6,160 00	
Total valuation of personal property.....		$264,954 00
Grand total of property.....		**$1,215,134 00**

Number of polls taxed, 824. Not taxed, 105.
Poll tax rate, $2.50.
Property rate, $18.00 per thousand dollars.

ASSESSMENTS.

For State tax		$3,570 89
County tax		2,137 95
Extinguishment of town debt	$1,500 00	
Support of common schools	3,850 00	
Support of poor	1,200 00	
Interest charges	450 00	
Officers' salaries	1,500 00	
Text books	600 00	
Insurance, appliances and apparatus	500 00	
Repairs of school buildings	400 00	
Repairs of highways and bridges	3,000 00	
Snow breaking expense	2,000 00	
Norway Public Library	450 00	
Memorial Day observance	50 00	
Free high school	1,700 00	
State Road	400 00	
		$17,600 00
Overlay in assessing		623 57
Supplementary taxes assessed		10 80
Total amount committed for collection		$23,943 21

Abstract from assessors' report to state assessors for the year 1904.

LIVE STOCK TAXED.

	No. in 1903.	No. in 1904.
Horses and mules	477	512
Colts 3 years old	5	4
Colts 2 years old	6	7
Yearling colts	5	9
Cows	869	901
Oxen	54	57
3 years old	256	240
2 years old	318	301
Yearlings	348	349
Sheep	430	413
Swine	274	295

OTHER PROPERTY.

	1903 No.	1903 Amt.	1904 No.	1904 Amt.
Bank Stock	247	$24,100	237	$23,670
Money at interest		41,275		43,075
Money on hand		1,250		250
Trust Co. Stock	5	500	5	500
Water Co. "	165	3,100	156	3,120
Electric Light Co. Stock		2,000		2,000
Stocks in trade		83,435		82,180
Bicycles	115	1,170	58	395
Carriages	218	4,395	189	3,895
Musical instruments	218	12,145	189	12,115
Grand Trunk Ry. property		1,000		1,000
Street Ry. property		2,400		1,300
Water Company		20,250		20,250
Electric Light Co		40,000		39,900
Total		$237,020		$233,650

The J. L. Horne property now owned by the Norway Home for Aged Women, was carried on our valuation lists, prior to its being occupied as such, at three thousand dollars. Under the provisions of Clause II., Sec. 6, Chap. 9, of the Revised Statutes of Maine, this property is exempt from taxation, it being a benevolent and charitable institution, and we believe that every tax payer in town will be glad to know that he is contributing toward its support to the extent of his proportional part of this exemption. This institution is a credit to those who have been instrumental in its organization, and is an honor to the town.

ABATEMENTS ALLOWED COLLECTOR.

Taxes of Year 1899.

Childs, O. S., whereabouts unknown	$2 00	
Rand, George M., out of State	2 00	
		$4 00

Year 1900.

Newhall, George M., out of State	$2 82	
Nutting, James, paid in Casco	2 00	
Wade, Wm. H., never found by collector	2 00	
		$6 82

Year 1901.

Andrews, O. L., never found by collector	$2 57	
Delisle, Narcisse, cannot be found by collector	2 00	
Dumont, Alphonso, never found by collector	2 00	
Gordon, Harry J., cannot be found by collector	2 00	
McCormick, W. Thomas, out of State	2 00	
Nutting, James, paid in Casco	2 00	
Sargent, Haven P., in California	2 00	
		$14 57

Year 1902.

Benson, Abner E., paid in Woodstock	$3 13	
Bradbury, Ray, paid in Lynn	2 50	
Campano, Joseph, never found by collector	2 50	
Davee, George, " " "	2 50	
Delisle, Narcisse, cannot be found by collector	2 50	
Gatchell, R. B. " " " "	2 50	
Giles, Arthur E, deceased	2 50	
Gordon, Harry J., cannot be found by collector	2 50	
Gray, J. Frank, never " "	2 50	
Hassan, James W., out of State	2 50	
Hassan, Charles M., " "	2 50	
Hassett, Annie, whereabouts unknown	53	
Howe, Freeland, Jr., error in listing	2 50	
Hunt, Clarence A., left the State	2 92	
Locke, Paul, minor in 1902	2 50	
Neilson, Addison C., cannot be found by collector	2 50	
Ryerson, James H., never " "	2 50	
Slack, Archibald, out of State	2 50	
		$44 08

Year 1903.

Bartlett, Eugene W., paid in Lynn	$2 50	
Flint, Asa, paid in Massachusetts	2 50	
Fuller, Harry E., paid in Auburn	2 50	
Hamilton, Charles B., paid in Auburn	2 50	
Harding, J. A., paid in Warner, N. H	2 50	
Holbrook, Ed C., out of State	2 50	
Hunt, Clarence A., " "	2 50	
Watson, Lee M., paid in Auburn	2 50	
		$20 00

YEAR 1904.

Bartlett, Eugene W., paid in Lynn	$2 50	
Bedard, Clyde, deceased	2 50	
Gilligan, James, worthless	2 50	
Judkins, E. L., deceased	2 50	
Porter, Randall, paid in Nobleborough	2 50	
Woodsum, Frank T., paid in Auburn	2 50	
		$15 00
Total abatements to collector		$104 47
Abatements allowed to others:		
Norway Shoe Shop Co., by vote of town (1903)	$180 00	
Frost, Fred F., by vote of town (1903)	2 97	
" " " " (1904)	11 68	
McAllister, Elden B., error in listing (1903)	2 70	
Gibson, J. Frank, error in listing (1903)	3 60	
Greenleaf, Stephen, heirs, over valuation	2 70	
Total abatements allowed others		$203 65
Total abatements allowed		$308 12

COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNTS.

On examination of the books and accounts of George A. Cole, Collector, January 31, 1905, we find as follows:

There is due the collector from tax payers the sum of $7,941.44. All taxes are paid up to 1899.

There is due the collector on the several commitments since 1899 as follows:

On 1899	$ 2 50	
1900	44 39	
1901	68 00	
1902	254 44	
1903	641 87	
1904	6,930 24	
Total amount due collector		$7,941 44

The town has received from the collector all taxes committed to him up to 1900, and there is due from him on commitments from 1900 to 1904 inclusive the sum of $7,507 84, as follows:

On 1900	$ 56 00	
1901	50 00	
1902	190 97	
1903	267 66	
1904	6,943 21	
Total amount due town from collector		$7,507 84
Balance overpaid by collector		$433 60

REPORT OF

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY AT TOWN FARM.
JAN. 31, 1905.

Live stock:

		Value.	
2	Oxen	$125 00	
12	cows	300 00	
1	three-year-old heifer	15 00	
3	two year-old "	75 00	
1	yearling "	10 00	
6	shotes	40 00	
45	fowls	22 50	
3	calves	25 00	
1	bull	30 00	
			$642 50

Hay, grain, and provisions:

20	tons English hay	200 00
10	" brook "	80 00
1	bushel oats	45
2	bushels corn	1 25
4	" " meal	2 30
150	pounds bran	1 85
100	" stock feed	1 35
150	" cotton seed	2 20
	Ice	20 00
50	pounds oyster shells	50
100	" pop corn	5 00
20	bushels beans	60 00

100 bushels potatoes	$50 00		
5 " beets	3 00		
40 " apples	10 00		
15 " turnips	7 50		
50 pounds salt pork	5 00		
3 " lard	30		
6 " butter	1 50		
Sugar on hand	75		
Table salt	25		
Tea and coffee	75		
Spices	50		
4 bars hard soap	20		
2 quarts mince meat	25		
			$454 90

Farming tools:

5 chisels	$ 1 00
1 screw driver	15
1 wheelbarrow	1 50
1 express wagon	10 00
1 cross cut saw	1 25
1 cable chain	2 50
6 ox chains	5 00
33 tie chains	8 00
1 trace chain	25
1 whiffletree chain	1 00
3 corn cutters	25
2 flails	50
4 iron bars	4 00
1 drag rake	50
5 hand rakes	1 00
2 hand hammers	1 00
1 road scraper	1 00
5 ladders	5 00
1 grindstone	2 00
4 grass scythes and snaths	3 00
2 bush " " "	1 50
3 planes	25
10 augurs	2 50
4 hand saws	1 00
6 wood saws	3 00
2 calf feeders	3 00
1 blasting drill	75
1 ox cart and wheels complete	30 00
1 " " "	15 00
1 hay-rack and long tongue	10 00

1 horse-cart, wheels and body	$50 00	
1 horse hay rake	15 00	
2 bolt hooks	1 00	
2 sets ox traverse sleds	35 00	
1 long horse sled	10 00	
2 cultivators	8 00	
1 steel square	75	
1 monkey wrench	50	
2 whitewash brushes	1 00	
1 manure hook	50	
1 potato digger	25	
2 common hoes	50	
1 pick	25	
3 harrows	30 00	
5 plows	15 00	
2 slip ox-yokes	12 00	
2 scoops	2 00	
4 shovels	2 00	
5 manure forks	2 00	
5 hay forks	2 00	
4 axes	4 00	
1 broad-axe	1 00	
1 shop axe	50	
1 steel trap	50	
1 ice grapple with extra hooks	1 50	
1 ice chisel	25	
1 cow sprayer	50	
1 saw set	75	
1 snow shovel	10	
1 set bits	2 75	
1 bit stock	1 50	
6 ox-yokes and fixtures for three yokes	5 00	
3 shaves	75	
1 curry comb	25	
1 pair ice tongs	1 00	
2 peavey picks	3 00	
1 cow bell	50	
1 bull staff	50	
1 creamer and ten cans	30 00	
1 set collar, hames and tugs	10 00	
1 set tackle blocks	2 00	
1 iron tooth garden rake	25	
1 pick-axe	1 00	
1 hay fork and fittings	30 00	
		$401 25

Household goods in inventory		$333 58
Miscellaneous list:		
8 empty flour barrels	$ 1 75	
3 empty molasses barrels	75	
1 scalding tub	50	
12 meal bags	1 20	
5 half size meat barrels	1 00	
20 cords dry wood	80 00	
25 cords green wood	50 00	
1 M shingles	1 50	
2 M lumber	20 00	
2 pairs sled runners	3 00	
6 wall brackets	3 00	
1 roll poultry wire	2 50	
1 drag plank	1 00	
Rope	50	
1 faucet	25	
350 bricks	3 85	
1 pump for cleaning pipe	2 00	
1 portable fire extinguisher	13 75	
1 washing machine	7 00	
		$193 55

Timber to the credit of farm:

Due from S. P. Maxim & Son, bal. on acct. of pine plank sold	$93 39	
13 cords cedar at mill	91 00	
4 M feet pine cut and yarded	32 00	
4 M feet hemlock cut and yarded	32 00	
		$248 39
Total amount of inventory		$2,274 17

Total inventory, Jan. 30, 1904	$2,674 82	
Total inventory present year	2,274 17	
Loss for year		$400 65

TOWN FARM STATEMENT.

EXPENSE.

To paid Isaac F. Andrews, Supt., balance of salary to April 1st, 1904	$ 94 64
Isaac F. Andrews, Supt., on account salary	280 00
Isaac F. Andrews, saw dust	2 00
Fred Andrews, labor on farm	96 00
Frank P. Morrill, slip yoke	5 00
" " hay fork	31 00
" " ox goads and labor	6 50
Simeon K. Yeaton, one pair oxen	130 00
Hiram Bacon, one pair oxen	125 00
Walter Buck, 4 pigs	8 00
H. A. Knightly, 4 pigs	12 00
F. D. Knightly, 4 pigs	12 00
C. W. Coffin, filing saws	1 20
A. W. Thomas, potatoes	5 00
W. J. Hascall, sawing lumber	24 35
Henry P. Howe, labor	33 34
F. P. Towne, oats	5 70
G. A. Kenerson, filing saws	1 15
Henry Austin, labor, haying	42 00
J. B. Haskell, lumber and oak rounds for rack	3 00
A. D. Kilgore, blacksmithing	20 68
S. J. Record, blacksmithing	18 05
Mrs. V. E. Dunn, eggs	75
V. E. Dunn, 1 rooster	1 10
H. B. Haskell Co., washer	6 90
Charles Gammon, meat	2 61
F. E. Drake, dentistry for Lola Bennett	75
H. I. Holt, use of winnowing machine	85
Leonard Flint, labor, cutting timber	12 00
F. D. Knightly, pasturing young stock	3 00
F. D. Knightly, labor, mowing and cutting corn	23 00
Wm. O. Perry, phosphate	9 45
A. J. & F. L. Millett, phosphate and potatoes	21 25
A. J. & F. L. Millett, bull	25 00
C. L. Hathaway, lumber	55
Cyrus Woodsum, digging grave	3 00
E. C. Walker, V. S.	2 00
James N. Favor, supplies and repairs	2 15
J. F. Bolster, casket, etc.	23 00

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L. Curtis, hauling plank	$ 14 00	
W. W. Twombly, care of David Holt	50	
W. E. Douglass, Coll. Waterford taxes 1903-4	1 00	
F. H. Noyes Co., clothing	3 79	
James O. Crooker, hardware	13 52	
Wm. C. Leavitt, "	10 02	
Partridge Bros., grain and groceries	527 03	
C. B. Cummings & Sons, grain and supplies	160 82	
H. J. Bangs, groceries	99 50	
James Smith Est., footwear	11 08	
Smiley Shoe Store, footwear	16 00	
Thomas Smiley, dry goods	4 57	
F. P. Stone, medicine	18 20	
F. N. Barker, M. D., medical attendance on Thomas Wells	1 50	
O. P. Brooks, meat	18 70	
James Pledge, meat	3 78	
Ryerson & Howe, beef	5 25	
" " planting	2 62	
R. C. Frost, cutting ice	6 00	
Willie Gary, cart body	3 00	
S. T. White, telephone repairs	65	
I. F. Andrews, cash for telephone tolls	80	
S. B. & Z. S. Prince, dry goods	2 81	
		$2,019 11

CREDITS.

By Labor of Supt. for E. E. Witt	$ 6 50	
Poultry sold	9 36	
Potatoes and mdse. sold	11 50	
Lumber sold E. E. Witt	20 00	
" " S. P. Maxim & Son	25 00	
Pork sold	29 33	
Eggs "	30 00	
Sweet corn "	68 37	
Veal calves "	87 00	
Hogs "	88 94	
Pine and fir "	102 21	
Cows "	103 00	
Pulp wood "	200 00	
Oxen and yoke "	402 50	
Cream "	488 69	
		$1,672 40
Balance against farm		$346 71

INMATES AT TOWN FARM, JAN. 31, 1905.

Lola Bennett.....age 44 David Holt.....age 54
Prentiss Buck.....age 54

The balance against the farm this year is considerable more than we hoped to see it, for while it has, indeed, been infrequent that the farm has shown a balance in its favor, yet we were looking for a smaller balance against it and regret that it is not what we would like to see it.

For several years the farm inventory has been increased until it has reached, as it seems to us, the limit.

Last year there was a gain in inventory of $393.62, but there was over $400 in timber credited to the farm for that year, which accounts for this increase.

From an examination of the town farm accounts for the last few years it will be seen that the inventory of the farm has been increased about $1100 since 1899, and this amount has been added to farm receipts, thus reducing the balance against the farm for those particular years.

In making this statement we do not wish to be understood as criticising our predecessors in the least, we are simply calling attention to the fact that the deficit caused by the excess of the expenses of the farm over the receipts has been reduced by this increase of inventory from year to year, and we do not deem it expedient to continue this policy longer.

As suggested last year there is a large list of old, wornout articles on the inventory schedules, which are of very little real value, and could be cut down, or dropped off entirely, without detriment to the financial condition of the farm.

The Town Farm business has run along very smoothly the past year.

One death has occurred at the farm this year, that of Mr. Thomas Wells. Mr. Wells had been very feeble for a long time, and his death was not unexpected, although quite sudden at the last.

The farm crops were very good the past season, although the sweet corn did not bring quite so much cash as was hoped for, and the potatoes rotted quite badly in the field before digging, and have continued to shrink somewhat from the same cause since putting them in the cellar.

A new horse hay fork was put into the barn this year, at quite an addition to the expense account, but it was a great help in handling the large crop of hay and fodder, and thought to be a good addition to the farm inventory.

The poultry has done unusually well again under the care of Mrs. Andrews, as will be seen in the credit account for eggs and poultry sold.

At the taking of the annual inventory of town property, a few days ago, everything was found to be in very good shape. Of course, from the ordinary wear of tools and implements, as well as the household things the inventory lessens from year to year, unless new things are put in to replace the worn out and cast aside articles. There has been but little increase in the household goods for a long time, and not very much in farming tools, so the inventory naturally grows somewhat less.

The ladies who assisted in taking the inventory of the household goods, Mrs. Stearns and Mrs. Witt, said the house was in a perfectly satisfactory condition—everything being neat and clean and in good order.

POOR ACCOUNT.

Amount raised, March, 1904	$1200 00	
" received from Oxford	37 75	
" " " Rumford	56 00	
" " " Stoneham	76 93	
" " " Hebron	10 00	
" " " W. F. Jones Guardian of Esther E. Welch	25 00	
Total amount available		$1,405 68

Expended for town's poor:—

Paid expense of Christina Bradbury at Maine Insane Hospital	$149 89	
" Maud L. Arlin at Maine Industrial School	16 50	
" J. P. Martel, wood	4 00	
" Levi E. Holden, medical attendance	5 00	
" Perreault family, transient, casket, etc., furnished in 1902	11 00	
" Joe North, transient	2 50	
" Joseph Harris supplies	5 00	
" Investigating case of Otis F. Morgan	3 85	
		$197 74

Expense of Joseph A. Woods:		
Paid Mrs. W. W. Twombly, dressmaking for Mrs. Woods	$ 3 43	
L. M. Lunt, clothing for Mrs. Woods and children	19 43	
S. Harriman, provisions	4 72	
Partridge Bros., groceries	3 00	
Supreme Judicial Court, expense of action to compel support of wife and children	9 71	
H. J. Bangs, groceries	1 81	
E. C. Winslow "	3 50	
		$ 45 60
Expense of Mrs. Esther E. Welch:		
Paid Mina S. Jewett, nurse	$ 13 50	
Expense of conveying to Maine Insane Hospital	13 45	
Annette Bennett, medical attendance	15 00	
F. N. Barker, M. D., examination and certificate	2 00	
A. P. Bassett, services	15 00	
		$ 58 95
Expense of Dolly M. Buck (Soldier's widow):		
Paid Town of Greenwood, pauper aid furnished prior to removal to Norway	$106 59	
Mary O. Jordan, room, board and care, Feb. 1st to March 2nd, 1904	34 00	
Jesse L. Edwards, room, board and care, March 2d, to June 9th, 1904	88 30	
Supplies and aid furnished from June 9th, to Jan. 31st, 1905	30 25	
B. F. Bradbury M. D., medical attendance	5 60	
Frank Kimball, medicine	5 20	
Probate expense in petition for appt., of guardian	5 12	
		$275 06
Expense of Sarah H. Gammon (Soldier's widow):		
Paid H. J. Bangs, guardian, rent 8 mos.	$40 00	
" " groceries to date	26 75	
A. L. Hill for wood	3 50	
For rent prior to appt. of guardian, 4 mos.	20 00	
Probate expenses in appt. of guardian	9 37	
		$99 62

Expense of John Meader (Soldier):		
Paid Mrs. Nathaniel Thompson for board and care to Jan. 1st, 1905	$99 15	
J. L Bennett, M. D., med. att.	8 50	
F. P. Davis, services	1 00	
		$108 65
Expense of Lyman R. Durell:		
Paid A. F. Canwell, care and board	$55 08	
B. F. Bradbury, M. D., med. att	13 00	
F. H. Noyes Co., clothing	6 00	
		$74 08
Expense of Baker children:		
Paid Stephen McAllister, board of Bessie Baker	$ 3 00	
Frank M. Tibbetts, board of Leonard Baker	10 00	
		$13 00
Expense of Mrs. Charles H. Brown:		
Paid B. F. Bradbury, M. D., medical att	$8 50	
For order of notice on Charles H. Brown	75	
		$9 25
Expense of Mrs. Gertrude Merrill:		
Paid Expense of investigating case	$ 3 85	
Board and doctor's bill	24 28	
		$28 13
Expense of Joseph Durbin:		
Paid Frank Kimball, medicine	$ 1 00	
B. F. Bradbury, M. D., medical att	46 00	
		$47 00
Amount expended for town's poor	$ 957 08	
Amount expended for poor of other towns and returned	142 93	
Amount due from town of Paris	11 56	
" " " " Stoneham	80	
Total expended during year	$ 1,112 37	
Balance against farm added	346 71	
Loss on farm inventory for year	400 65	
		$1,859 73
Amount available deducted		1,405 68
Balance credited to contingent fund		$ 454 05

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

Rumford,	J. K. P. Simpson	$56 00	
Stoneham,	Lucinda Spears	77 73	
Hebron,	Augustus Cox	10 00	
Paris,	George W. Adams	11 56	
			$ 155 29
Amount due from Paris		$11 56	
Amount due from Stoneham		80	12 36
Amount received from other towns for year			$142 93

While there is enough that might be said by way of detail and explanation connected with the above cases to make a good sized volume, yet it would hardly be profitable; the main facts outside of the figures, which are given above, are already known to a greater number of the citizens; we will therefore ask your indulgence only while we comment very briefly with relation to a few special cases.

Doctor Sanborn, Supt. of the Maine Insane Hospital, at Augusta, informs us that the condition of Christina Bradbury, committed during the summer of 1903 is somewhat improved, but he is yet unable to say when it will be deemed advisable to discharge her from the institution.

Gertrude G. Merrill who not long ago, caused this town some expense and trouble, received assistance in the town of Sanford last fall. We were promptly notified and on looking into the case found that Mrs. Merrill was living in the family with her former husband, Russell F. Merrill, who divorced her in the fall of 1901.

She appeared to be in feeble health and it was very apparent that Mr. Merrill had taken advantage of her helpless condition to call upon the town for assistance, not being under any legal obligation to support her.

We received very courteous treatment from the municipal officers of Sanford and with their co-operation did not find it necessary to remove the unfortunate one, neither was the expense large, as it will be seen. Mrs. Merrill is now employed in the town of Alfred, where prior to her full recovery small expense was incurred which we shall have to defray, an account of which has not yet been received.

John Meader continues to live with Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Thompson in Bridgton, where he is as well cared for as his condition will admit. Mr. Meader's mind in very nearly gone, and it has become necessary to take measures to procure a guardian for him on account of his inability to sign his pension vouchers. Mrs. Thompson keeps us fully informed as to his condition, and renders a careful account of all expenses.

It will seen that while the amount expended for the support of Mrs. Dolly M. Buck is large, the most of the expense was incurred prior to June last, and that she is now very nearly self supporting.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

Orders have been drawn for the year ending Jan. 31st, 1905, from No. 8099 to No. 8934 inclusive amounting to..... $23,931 61
viz:

For Extinguishment of town debt	$1,500 00	
Support of common schools	5,794 13	
Poor away from farm	1,112 37	
Interest charges	360 59	
Officers' salaries	1,395 10	
Free text books	533 59	
Repairs on school buildings	583 27	
School insurance, apparatus, appliances	647 89	
Repairs of highways and bridges	3,203 29	
Snow breaking	1,504 01	
State Road	400 00	
Norway Public Library	525 00	
Support of free high school	1,924 63	
Memorial Day observance	50 00	
Town farm	2,019 11	
Contingent fund	2,378 63	
		$23,931 61

EXTINGUISHMENT TOWN DEBT.

Amount appropriated March, 1904		$1,500 00
Paid on Schoolhouse bonds, series of 1899	$ 500 00	
Town bonds, series of 1884	1,000 00	
Total amount paid on town debt		$1,500 00

INTEREST STATEMENT.

Amonnt of appropriation, March, 1904	$450 00	
Interest on 1903 taxes turned in by collector	65 00	
		$515 00
Paid on Schoolhouse bonds, series of 1899	$122 50	
Town bonds, series of 1884	180 00	
Current orders of 1904	58 09	
	$360 59	
Balance to contingent fund	154 41	
		$515 00

FREE TEXT BOOKS.

Amount of appropriation, March, 1904	$600 00	
Books sold	17 44	
		$617 44
Amount expended to Jan. 31, 1905	$533 59	
Balance unexpended	83 85	
		$617 44

REPAIRS ON SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Amount of appropriation, March, 1904	$400 00	
Cash on repairs	65	
Cash, express on supplies	85	
Tuition	17 05	
From contingent fund	164 72	
		$583 27
Amount of orders drawn on this account		$583 27

SCHOOL INSURANCE, APPARATUS, ETC.

Amount appropriated, March, 1904	$500 00	
Appliances sold	38 94	
Tuition	108 95	
		$647 89
Amount of orders drawn on this account		$647 89

SUPPORT OF COMMON SCHOOLS.

Balance unexpended, Jan. 30, 1904	$1,904 40	
Appropriation, March, 1904	3,850 00	
Amount received from State	1,877 06	
		$7,631 46
Amount expended to Jan. 31, 1905	$5,794 13	
Balance unexpended, Jan. 31, 1905	1,837 33	
		$7,631 46

SUPPORT OF FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

Balance unexpended for year 1903	$ 260 94	
Amount appropriated March, 1904.....	1,700 00	
Received from State.....	125 00	
		$2,085 94
Expended for teachers' services.....	$1 924 63	
Balance unexpended Jan. 31, 1905.....	161 31	
		2,085 94

MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE.

Amount of appropriation, March, 1904.....	$50 00
Paid to commander of Harry Rust Post, No. 54, G. A. R , by order No. 8349.....	50 00

TOWN FARM.

Amount paid by town orders as shown in the report of Overseers of Poor.....	$2,019 11

POOR AWAY FROM FARM.

Expended as shown in report of Overseer of Poor.....	$1,112 37

NORWAY PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Amount of appropriation, March, 1904.....	$450 00	
Received from State.....	60 00	
Received from L. Ellen Frost fund.....	15 00	
		$525 00
Paid to treasurer by orders.....	$487 50	
Freeland Howe, insurance.....	37 50	
		$525 00

OFFICERS' SALARIES

Amount of appropriation,		$1,500 00
Paid A. J. Stearns, services as selectman, Jan. 30, 1904, to March 7, 1904.....	$ 37 00	
A. J. Stearns, services as selectman, March 7, 1904, to Feb 1, 1905.....	350 00	
Edward E. Witt, services as selectman, balance due to March 1st, 1904.....	10 00	
Edward E. Witt, services as selectmen, on account year 1904.....	50 00	
Frank L. Millett, services as selectman, Jan. 30, 1904, to Feb 1, 1905.....	60 00	
C. P. Barnes, services as Superintendent of Schools, balance to March 7, 1904.....	68 50	

Paid	C. P. Barnes, services as Superintendent of Schools, on account year 1904	$300 00	
	H. J. Bangs, services as town Treasurer, year 1904	50 00	
	George A. Cole, services as Collector, year 1904	302 55	
	George L. Curtis, services as town Clerk, year 1904	20 00	
	S. A. Bennett, M. D., services on Board of Health to Feb. 1, 1905	34 25	
	H. E. Mixer, services on Board of Health to Jan. 1, 1904	10 30	
	Wm. C. Leavitt, services on Board of Health, for year 1904	3 75	
	George W. Locke, services as Truant Officer	71 25	
	Charles F. Boober, services as Dog Constable, year 1904	15 00	
	George A. Cole, services as Constable	5 00	
	M. M. Fuller, services as Inspector of Buildings for year 1904	7 50	
		$1,395 10	
Balance to contingent fund		104 90	
			$1,500 00

STATE ROAD.

Amount of appropriation, March, 1904	$400 00	
Received from State	200 00	
		$600 00

		Order No.	
Paid	Robert Pratt	8564	$ 5 64
	Asa F. Needham	8567	6 75
	R. B. Taylor	8568	12 75
	Fred Parence	8571	7 75
	R. C. Frost	8572	15 75
	J. B. Frost	8573	15 75
	L. A. Millett	8574	33 25
	G. L. Curtis	8575	36 75
	O. W. H. Judkins	8576	15 75
	W. C. Leavitt	8578	19 26
	C. F. Fogg	8590	4 50
	Albert Newhall	8605	4 50
	R. K. Morrill	8638	33 25

Paid	A. J. Millett	8662	$ 30 10	
	Fred Parence	8663	5 00	
	Walter Pride	8664	10 00	
	George Frost	8665	5 00	
	Asa A. Young	8666	3 00	
	E. M. Millett	8824	14 25	
	Clyde Bedard	8825	15 75	
	E. D. Millett	8826	33 25	
	George D. Frost	8827	7 75	
	Asa A. Young	8828	8 25	
	Warner Kneeland	8829	11 25	
	Walter Pride	8830	16 25	
	Charles Cushman	8831	7 50	
	J. I. Millett	8841	21 00	
			$400 00	
Amount received from State unexpended			200 00	
				$600 00

SNOW BILLS, WINTER 1903-1904.

Amount of appropriation, March, 1904 ..... $2,000 00

		Order No.	
Paid	D. C. Walker	8106	$30 15
	C. E. Freeman	8190	25 79
	O. F. Hill	8190	2 55
	Charles Crosby	8194	54 52
	Elbridge G. Walker	8206	6 50
	E. C. Tubbs	8208	8 00
	L. A. Millett	8209	19 05
	Harry Lovejoy	8210	1 25
	W. C. Perkins	8211	22 57
	Elbridge Walker	8212	21 00
	E. G. Gammon	8213	14 85
	George Witham	8214	3 00
	Roswell Frost	8215	15 48
	Robert Pratt	8216	60
	Walter Anderson	8217	2 85
	W. E. Perkins	8221	4 00

Paid	Arthur Robbins	8222	$61 83
	C. F. Boober	8223	11 75
	J. I. Millett	8230	39 65
	Dennis Pike	8232	4 00
	H. D. Hosmer	8233	23 55
	A. W. Thomas	8234	34 76
	D. S. Davis	8237	7 00
	Samson Scribner	8239	2 25
	J. A. Roberts	8240	15 19
	A. K. Hill	8241	19 40
	Howard Knightly	8246	20 00
	Edgar E. Holden	8247	2 77
	R. E. Kimball	8250	3 00
	R. E. York	8254	23 98
	O. W. H. Judkins	8258	23 84
	E. A. Cox	8259	26 60
	A. J. & F. L. Millett	8260	72 71
	Aaron Babb	8261	2 48
	L. A. Millett	8263	10 30
	Ed Ames	8268	1 50
	A. B. Farnham	8271	19 20
	E. D. Millett	8272	20 23
	D. C. Walker	8275	26 48
	C. A. Austin	8276	25 75
	H. F. Greenleaf	8277	13 70
	Phineas Curtis	8280	2 80
	Elmer Russ	8281	75
	Carl Shank	8282	5 70
	W. H. Pride	8283	20 50
	H. A. Robbins	8284	3 00
	Benj. Tucker	8286	26 15
	J. P. Howe	8288	21 85
	G. G. Abbott	8291	23 25
	G. G. Abbott, crossing land	8291	3 00
	C. A. Merrill	8292	17 39
	L. H. Flint	8293	2 28
	H. I. Holt	8294	1 33
	John Wyman	8295	42 41
	C. J. Everett	8296	27 30
	H. S. Flint	8299	24 10
	A. W. Allen	8300	25 60
	Alvin Brown	8301	45 99
	R. E. Flood	8306	30 74
	E. G. Farnum	8310	1 05
	E. G. Farnum, crossing land	8310	1 00

Paid	J. B. Frost	8311	$30	14
	W. S. Buck	8312	29	85
	H. G. Dinsmore	8316	33	92
	F. P. Towne	8317	3	08
	L. M. Cox	8320	9	50
	A. P. Farnham	8321	15	60
	F. H. Perry	8324	22	75
	C. H. Dunn	8326	17	16
	C. G. French	8327	6	14
	B. W. Marston	8328	3	15
	F. D. Thurston	8331	33	82
	E. B. Carter	8332	35	41
	O. B. Upton	8337	64	63
	George Wood	8338	10	95
	John Prince	8353	1	05
	Leonard Flint	8355	2	81
	Zenas Mills	8360	12	17
	Willie Gary	8376	2	85
	Charles Crosby	8379	2	55
	H. P. Stetson	8384	4	80
	L. M. Longley	8391	1	58
	Lewis Buswell	8392	1	50
	Orin Brown	8398	20	29
	" " crossing land	8398	2	00
	" " breaking plow	8399	9	00
	J. S. Herrick	8400	6	52
	Arthur C. Buck	8405	4	05
	John Hazen	8415	4	80
	L. I. Bartlett	8422	3	50
	Edwin Rich	8526	4	63
	Elbridge Holt	8530	10	74
	Eben Shackley	8626	3	95
	E. H. Noble	8637	3	45
	Elbridge Gammon	8816	6	05
	E. J. Millett	8850	1	95
	James O. Crooker	8855		75
	H. J. Bangs, salt	8897		50
	G. A. Morse	8917	2	25
	C. D. Herrick	8929	3	60
	L. A. Carter	8929		30
			$1,504	01
Balance to contingent fund			495	99
				$2,000 00

REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Amount of appropriation, March, 1904	$3,000 00	
Drawn from contingent fund	203 29	
		$3,203 29

		Order No.	
Paid	Frank Gammon, watering tub	8103	$ 3 00
	E. G. Gammon	8109	3 00
	Merriam Bros., watering tub	8163	6 00
	C. E. Freeman, plank	8190	61
	Stephen Robinson	8253	2 25
	George Witham	8256	4 27
	Elbridge Walker	8262	10 05
	D. S. Davis	8267	8 75
	Elbridge Walker	8319	11 32
	Guy Curtis	8350	54 55
	D. S. Davis	8362	9 50
	Archie Frechette	8363	18 15
	George Witham	8364	28 95
	Adam Frechette	8365	18 00
	Geo. Adams	8366	18 00
	Aaron Babb	8367	21 00
	Stephen Robinson	8368	21 00
	Octave Laney	8369	24 75
	L. A. Millett	8370	42 80
	Ellery Wheeler	8371	3 00
	W. R. Kimball	8372	16 13
	E. F. Ames	8373	9 00
	W. S. Buck	8381	10 42
	George Wood	8394	66 00
	W. H. Pride	8395	20 00
	L. E. York	8396	13 00
	D. C. Walker	8397	17 50
	E. D. Millett	8408	20 00
	L. F. Richardson	8411	12 00
	Asa F. Needham	8414	7 50
	C. I. Fogg	8416	16 50
	I. N. Small	8423	4 25
	Clarence Austin	8424	17 50
	W. C. Dunn	8425	15 75
	H. K. White	8434	3 00
	Elbridge T. Cummings	8435	37 00
	Good Roads Machinery Co., machine repairs	8438	17 00
	R. C. Frost	8440	1 50

Paid	R. C. Frost	8441	$ 10 50
	T. W. Bean	8443	20 40
	D. S. Davis	8444	10 25
	Stephen Robinson	8445	24 75
	Octave Laney	8446	25 80
	M. G. Richardson, watering tub	8447	2 50
	Aaron Babb	8448	25 80
	George Adams	8449	25 65
	George Witham	8450	28 05
	Adam Frechette	8451	1 50
	Archie Frechette	8452	26 85
	Aaron Babb	8455	1 50
	A. W. Walker & Son, brick	8456	10 00
	George Wood	8457	59 00
	Guy Curtis	8458	56 00
	L. A. Millett	8459	64 75
	E. D. Millett	8463	91 50
	L. A. Millett	8464	20 00
	C. I. Fogg	8465	15 00
	L. L. Flint	8466	36 00
	A. U. Tyler	8467	1 40
	Percy Smith	8468	1 12
	A. J. & F. L. Millett	8469	115 05
	A. J. Stevens	8470	52 50
	H. A. Knightly	8471	24 50
	W. G. Magoun	8473	22 50
	W. S. Prince	8474	13 14
	F. H. Perry	8475	8 67
	D. C. Walker	8475	24 20
	Morris Klain	8475	1 05
	W. C. Leavitt, tools and dynamite	8476	3 40
	L. H. Flint	8477	3 00
	E. B. Carter	8480	3 55
	A. F. Needham	8483	7 50
	George Adams	8486	1 50
	Arthur C. Buck	8492	6 00
	T. L. Heath	8493	124 69
	C. W. Coffin	8494	10 50
	L. M. Cox	8497	9 54
	A. L. Hill	8498	6 00
	W. C. Dunn	8499	12 60
	H. S. Flint	8500	50 00
	H. P. Stetson	8501	36 00
	J. B. Frost	8502	54 00
	W. H. Pride	8503	28 00

Paid	D. C. Walker	8504	$ 21 67
	Castler McAllister	8505	9 60
	T. L. Newcomb	8506	2 40
	R. E. York	8507	13 00
	R. C. Frost	8508	15 00
	L. M. Cox	8509	6 00
	D. C. Walker	8510	25 20
	W. H. Pride	8511	45 00
	H. C. McAllister	8512	9 00
	V. E. Dunn	8513	27 50
	R. E. York	8514	23 60
	H. C. McAllister	8515	10 20
	O. W. H. Judkins	8522	21 31
	D. S. Davis	8534	6 25
	W. C. Leavitt, hardware	8535	9 61
	C. L. Hathaway, lumber	8537	95 92
	David Flood	8538	20 25
	Geo. Witham	8539	17 25
	W. S. Merrill	8543	1 20
	C. H. Dunn	8544	35 40
	Archie Frechette	8545	1 50
	B. P. French, watering tub	8546	3 00
	J. B. Flint	8548	2 85
	T. W. Bean	8549	23 27
	Octave Laney	8550	17 25
	H. S. Flint	8551	25 00
	Harry Lovejoy	8558	4 50
	J. P. Judkins	8569	1 50
	S. J. Record, blacksmithing	8577	12 61
	William Young	8581	1 75
	L. L. Flint	8583	3 52
	C. B. Cummings & Sons	8584	25 70
	Robert Wood	8589	6 75
	H. E. Lovejoy	8591	5 07
	H. C. Oxnard	8594	2 10
	George Wood	8595	21 45
	Eugene Andrews	8596	1 75
	Stephen Robinson	8598	1 50
	T. L. Heath	8600	50 00
	L. I. Gilbert	8601	21 62
	A. Walker & Son, drain pipe	8602	14 00
	Albert Canwell	8603	5 78
	L. I. Gilbert, plank $5.63	8606	22 78
	H. A. Rich	8617	1 05
	M. M. Kilgore	8619	3 75

Paid	C. H. Adams	8622	$ 1 10
	E. C. Walker, use of watering tub	8624	2 50
	E. H. Noble	8637	8 25
	E. H. Haggett, repairs on road machine	8640	3 25
	J. B. Frost, repairs on road machine	8645	6 00
	Geo. Witham	8653	6 75
	L. I. Gilbert	8654	10 32
	H. E. Lovejoy	8655	2 50
	George Wood	8656	44 00
	Robert Wood	8657	7 50
	Partridge Bros., posts and nails	8660	2 10
	A. J. & F. L. Millett	8661	47 54
	Guy L. Curtis, sprinkling streets	8667	25 00
	L. E. Judkins	8677	50
	T. L. Heath, curbing	8682	75 00
	Alvin Brown	8684	4 25
	F. H. Hurd, blacksmithing	8686	35 75
	A. F. Needham	8688	5 65
	Freeland Howe, Jr., surveying	8691	2 00
	Benjamin Tucker	8697	1 05
	Clarence Austin	8699	3 00
	Samson Scribner	8700	1 35
	A. B. Brickett, gravel	8706	2 00
	H. P. Sawyer, painting bridges and railings	8727	31 53
	O. W. H. Judkins	8728	3 00
	C. L. Hathaway, lumber	8733	2 78
	J. M. Cummings, teams	8746	2 50
	A. P. Farnham	8748	4 50
	C. F. Millett	8750	10 25
	H. A. Knightly	8759	3 50
	E. G. Walker	8762	75
	L. E. McIntire	8764	21 56
	Guy L. Curtis	8776	2 50
	C. B. Cummings & Sons, lumber	8781	70
	W. C. Leavitt, hardware	8784	5 99
	J. O. Crooker, hardware, etc	8791	12 85
	E. F. Bicknell, gravel	8796	1 95
	Horace H. Cole, sand	8798	2 40
	D. S. Davis	8803	5 55
	C. B. Cummings & Sons, plank	8805	28 51
	H. S. Flint	8806	20 00
	T. W. Bean	8807	2 50
	Wm. Meserve	8808	6 75

Paid	L A. Millett	8809	$ 23 13	
	C. A. Merrill	8810	5 05	
	H. S. Flint	8811	10 16	
	A. L. Hill	8812	7 80	
	G. G. Abbott	8813	4 23	
	J. S. Herrick	8814	2 10	
	C. B. Cummings & Sons, lumber	8815	15 35	
	Fred N. Pierce	8817	1 95	
	D. S. Davis	8818	3 34	
	L. A. Millett	8819	15 75	
	W. M. Russell	8820	15 00	
	Daniel Davis	8821	12 15	
	Wm. S. Meserve	8822	6 75	
	Sewell Austin, new pump, etc., at Clint Mills'	8823	32 80	
	C. G. French	8832	5 45	
	Daniel Davis	8833	10 95	
	J. S. Herrick	8834	16 43	
	John Wyman	8835	4 82	
	E. F. Morse	8836	6 00	
	C. L. Hathaway, lumber	8837	18 00	
	I. N. Small	8838	2 00	
	Daniel Davis	8839	6 68	
	Edgar Gilbert, watering tub	8840	6 00	
	S. J. Record	8866	1 72	
	Geo. W. Hobbs	8882	1 80	
	L. L. R. Merriam	8884	50	
	C. B. Cummings & Sons, plank	8892	3 78	
	Horace Pike, fixing guide board	8893	25	
	Canadian Express Co., express on machine	8893	70	
	W. H. Pride	8913	2 35	
	H. K. White	8923	5 25	
	M. H. Merriam, watering tub	8929	3 00	
				$3,203 29

STATEMENT OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS' ACCOUNTS.

SNOW BILLS OF 1903-4.

Paid on order of C. E. Freeman	$ 361 57	
T. L. Heath	101 71	
A. J. Millett	449 57	
H. S. Flint	613 46	
	$1,526 31	
Charged to Highway acct	22 30	
		$1,504 01

Highways and Bridges 1904.

Paid on order of C. E. Freeman	$ 33 26	
T. L. Heath	1,309 04	
L. I. Gilbert	347 07	
A. J. Millett	706 64	
H. S. Flint	703 56	
	$3,099 57	
Charged from Snow Bills	22 30	
Paid without order of Commissioners	81 42	
		$3,203 29

CONTINGENT FUND ACCOUNT.

Balance carried over from last year	$4,423 45	
Received for billiard room licenses	20 00	
Refunded by State on dog tax	136 89	
Received from State for rent of armory	100 00	
" " " railroad and telegraph tax	65 17	
Tax deeds sold and redeemed during year	390 90	
Bal. unexpended from interest account	154 41	
" " " officers salaries account	104 90	
" " " snow bills account	495 99	
Overlay in assessment of 1904	623 57	
		$6,515 28

Miscellaneous Bills Paid From Contingent Fund.

F. W. Sanborn, amount due owners of the assigned claim of the Overseers of the Poor, 1902, in Russell F., and Vera Merrill suits by vote of town March 7th, 1904	$344 50
Norway Building Association, rent of hall one year to Jan. 1, 1905	570 90
Norway Water Co. for two fountains	100 00
George A. Cole, collector, sale of tax deeds for 1904	32 65
C. H. Adams, plans and specifications for addition to High school	10 00
John M. Cummings, teams	1 25
O. M. Cummings, teams	6 75
A. P. Bassett, summoning witnesses for hearing on Old Ladies' Home fire	4 96

A. J. Stearns, drawing deeds on tax matters	$ 8 00	
S. G. Hatch, delivering town reports	4 75	
Wilson & Gray, surveying	10 00	
Norway Pine Grove Cemetery, care of Mary A. Buck lot	4 00	
Freeland Howe, insurance on storehouse and contents	5 63	
A. S. Kimball, services as moderator	5 00	
George W. Locke, enumeration of scholars	3 00	
		$1,111 39

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE.

Insurance on furniture, etc	$ 4 12	
Blank books	18 80	
Revised Statutes of Maine	3 50	
Collector's books	2 25	
State Year Book	2 00	
Book case	6 75	
Stamps, stationery and ink	4 97	
500 stamped wrappers for town reports	10 70	
Rubber bands	60	
Telephone tolls	2 64	
Express	35	
Cleaning office	50	
Duplicate keys	60	
		$57 78

LOCK UP.

George A. Cole, rent for two years to July 1, 1905	$40 00	
W. W. Twombly for care	40 50	
I. N. Small, lumber and labor repairing	1 50	
James N. Favor for blankets	2 00	
E. F. Bicknell for crackers, two years	4 45	
		$88 45

REPORTING AND RECORDING BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

B. F. Bradbury, M. D., for 1903	$ 5 25	
A. N. French, M. D., for 1904	3 00	
H. L. Bartlett, M. D., for 1904	5 50	
Geo. L. Curtis, town clerk, recording	24 90	
		$38 65

ELECTION EXPENSES.

W. W. Whitmarsh, 18 meals for officers, election of September and November	$6 30	
A. L. Wyman, services as election clerk	6 00	
Frank R. Taylor, " " "	6 00	
P. H. Nevers, " " "	6 00	
A. L. F. Pike, " " "	6 00	
W. W. Twombly, services at elections	6 00	
		$36 30

WATCHMAN SERVICE.

W. W. Sheen, 2 nights	$ 3 50	
C. F. Boober, 233 nights, from April 3d, to Dec. 1st, 1904	407 75	
		$411 25

TOWN CLOCK.

Freeland Howe, insurance	$ 12 36	
Otto Schnuer, care	20 00	
" " oil	65	$33 01

WETHERELL PARK.

Chas C. Burt, repairing band stand and fence	$ 3 00	
" " " painting seats	1 50	
" " " care for season	10 00	
E. J. Rowe, paint and painting fence	11 14	
C. Allen Young, painting sign	2 50	
H. L. Horne, material for repairing band stand and fence	7 97	
H. L. Horne, paint, oil and cedar posts	12 45	
W. L. Merrill, renewing notice frames	1 00	
		$49 56

JESSE K. BROWN ROAD DAMAGES.

E. F. Smith, land damages	$20 00	
Samson Scribner "	5 00	
Albert Canwell "	1 00	
		$26 00

CO. D ARMORY AND SHOOTING RANGE EXPENSE.

Capt. J. Waldo Nash, cash paid out for building Shooting Range House	$45 98	
Capt. J. Waldo Nash, cash paid out for repairs to Armory closets	14 19	
C. H. Adams, repairs at Armory	75	
		$60 92

F. W. SANBORN, PRINTING BILLS.

For Porcupine blanks for treasurer	$ 1 50	
Two town order books	16 00	
Warrants for meetings	10 25	
1070 town reports	86 40	
Notices and miscellaneous printing	24 55	
New check list	11 00	
		$149 70

SARAH D. HAWKINS CEMETERY LOT.

Carl Shank for care	$2 50	
Cyrus Woodsum for care	5 00	
		$7 50

Total miscellaneous bills paid	**$2,070 51**
Abatements allowed as per assessors' report	308 12
Overdraft in schoolhouse repairs account	164 72
" highways and bridges account	203 29
" poor account	454 05
Total amount paid from contingent fund	**$3,200 69**
Total amount of contingent fund $6,515 28	
Deduct amount paid from fund 3,200 69	
Balance in fund, Jan. 31, 1905	**$3,314 59**

STATEMENT OF FUNDS HELD IN TRUST BY TOWN.

Mary A. Buck fund, amount		$350 00
Accepted by town for perpetual care of her cemetery lot in Pine Grove Cemetery.		
Paid Norway Pine Grove Cemetery association for care during year as shown in contingent fund		4 00
Sarah D. Hawkins fund, amount		500 00
Accepted by town for perpetual care of cemetery on Pike Hill and her lot therein, also care of Benson Hawkins lot in cemetery on Fore street, Oxford.		
Paid Carl Shank, labor in Pike Hill cemetery	$2 50	
Cyrus Woodsum, labor and care of lots	5 00	
Amount paid during the year as shown in contingent fund		$7 50

L. Ellen Frost Fund:

Amount secured by real estate mortgage.....$500 00
Deposited in Norway Savings Bank..... 152 78

Amount in fund Feb. 1, 1905.....$652 78

The principal of this fund is invested at 6 per cent. One half the interest is annually turned over toward the support of the Norway Public Library and the other half is deposited in the Norway Savings Bank.

Total amount of trust funds held by town.....$1,502 78

STATEMENT OF TAX DEEDS HELD BY TOWN, FEB. 1, 1905.

Name	Date of Deed	Premises	Tax and cost	Amt. due inc. int. at 6 per cent
Beverly Truman,	May 23, 1892,	Homestead	$ 4 71	$ 7 75
" "	May 28, 1895,	"	7 01	11 07
Sarah A. Clement,	June 26, 1894,	"	5 77	9 58
" "	May 28, 1895,	"	6 37	9 85
J. L. Horne,	May 27, 1896,	Hathaway Land	3 04	4 60
" "	May 27, 1896,	" "	14 03	21 30
Simon G. Richardson,	Dec. 6, 1898,	Homestead	5 51	7 36
" "	Dec. 3, 1902,	"	6 57	7 48
Mrs. Nellie F. Calef,	Dec. 6, 1898,	"	7 91	10 87
Mrs. L. M. Cox,	Dec. 7, 1899,	Homestead farm	15 30	19 95
" " "	Dec. 3, 1900,	" "	18 39	22 89
" " "	Dec. 5, 1901,	" "	18 25	21 67
" " " heirs of,	Dec. 9, 1903,	" "	10 75	11 52
Josiah W. Richardson,	Dec. 5, 1901,	store, etc.,	7 95	9 47
Clark S. Edwards & Son, (non res.)	Dec. 5, 1901,	Andrews and Trafton lot	3 78	4 54
F. L. Edwards, non res.	Dec. 5, 1901,	Randall lot	3 25	3 82
Elmer T. Dunn,	Dec. 5, 1901,	Homestead farm	10 63	12 72
" "	Dec. 9, 1903,	" "	10 62	11 39
W. M. Adams, non res.	Dec. 22, 1904,	House and lot	7 97	8 07
J. D. Nutting, non res.	Dec. 22, 1904,	Black lot	7 07	7 15
			$174 88	$223 05

FINANCIAL STANDING OF TOWN.

RESOURCES.

Cash in hands of H. J. Bangs, town treasurer	$3,242 43	
Due from Geo. A. Cole, collector, as per statement in assessors' report	7,507 84	
Town of Paris, as per poor account	11 56	
Town of Stoneham, as per poor account	80	
State for porcupine bounties	57 25	
Amount of Tax deeds as per statement	223 05	
L. Ellen Frost Fund securities	652 78	
		$11,695 71

LIABILITIES.

Amount of 4½ per cent. bonds, series of 1884	$3,000 00	
Amount of 3½ per cent. bonds, series of 1899	3,000 00	
Unpaid interest on 4½ per cent. bonds	11 25	
Unpaid interest on 3½ per cent. bonds	52 50	
Due common school account	1,837 33	
Due high school account	161 31	
Due free text books account	83 85	
Amount of funds held in trust by town	1,502 78	
Current bills outstanding, estimated	75 00	
		$9,724 02
Balance in favor of town		$1,971 69

TOWN FARM PROPERTY.

Farm valuation, real estate	$2,000 00	
Farm inventory, personal property	2,274 17	
Total		$4,274 17

It has not been the usual practice heretofore to reckon the Town Farm property as resources in making up a statement of the financial condition of the town, and we have not this year included it in the balance shown in favor of the town; it is certainly an asset and we really see no good reason why it should not be so considered. Should it ever come to pass that a County institution be established to serve as a general almshouse for all the towns in the County, as has been agitated, then the farm might indeed be an available asset.

The deficit in the Poor, Highways and Bridges, and Repairs on School Buildings accounts, is very nearly offset by the unexpended balance in the Interest, Officers' Salaries, and Snow Bills accounts, which have been carried into the Contingent Fund, and the deficits have been charged out of the Fund, thus balancing up these accounts, which is a convenient method of bookkeeping and is considered preferable to carrying these balances along from year to year.

We understand from our Superintendent of Schools that the unexpended balance of the Common School and High School accounts will be all taken up to pay teachers' wages already earned, as usual, and that there are bills out against the Free Text Books appropriation sufficient to exhaust it; these balances are therefore carried over.

In order that a better understanding may be had of the manner in which the appropriations for Highways and Bridges and Snow Bills have been expended, we this year asked and received from the several Road Commissioners a detailed report of all orders drawn by them. These Commissioners' orders are not drawn on the Treasurer direct, but are in the nature of vouchers for the amount due persons with whom the Commissioners have contracted. This gives the Selectmen an opportunity to pass upon each account before it is paid, and then charge to the proper appropriation.

To print the Commissioners' Reports in full would be a repetition of the account of our orders drawn against these two appropriations, and would incumber the report to no purpose. The summary given by us shows the amount expended in the district of which each commissioner has charge. The Statute gives the Selectmen the power to direct the Road Commissioners in the discharge of their duties, but we have not deemed it necessary during the past year to dictate to them to any extent, in fact not at all, but whenever we have seen fit to make suggestions, they have always been given due consideration, and we believe that every dollar of the money has been honestly expended. Rather more than the usual proportion of the Highway money was expended in the village district this year under Commissioner Heath, who after a few months of service concluded that the office of Road Commissioner had no charms for him, and much to our regret tendered his resignation. To fill the vacancy thus caused we appointed Lewis I. Gilbert, who, being handicaped by a lack of funds was able to do little aside from making the most necessary repairs to sidewalks and bridges.

The County Commissioners having designated the main traveled road leading from Waterford to Oxford as a State Road in the town of Norway, we expended the State Road appropriation by commencing near the Bradbury place at Norway Lake and building toward Waterford, thus making it continuous with the "Lake Road" where state money has been spent, and fulfilling the requirement that all moneys received from the State under the State Road law, must be expended on a continuous piece of road.

We placed A. J. Millett in charge of the work, and all who traveled over the road last Autumn would be willing witnesses to testify as to its merits. The County Commissioners had no hesitation in granting their approval, and we trust that the town will continue to raise the same sum each year, expend it together with the two hundred dollars received from the State, and see how good a road can be built from Norway Lake to the Waterford Town line. Better roads, *permanent roads*, and modern road machinery with which to construct them, are subjects for the most serious consideration in every town which desires to keep apace with advancing civilization.

Changed conditions in the Village caused a demand for more watchman services this year than has ever before been necessary. The Norway Village Corporation has presented a measure to the Legislature now in session, asking for an enlargement of its powers, in order to enable it to raise money to defray the expense of maintaining a sufficient police service. Should the bill pass, it is not expected that the town will be called upon again for so great an expenditure.

The town has been exceedingly fortunate during the past year in escaping litigation. There are no suits of any description pending in which the town is directly or indirectly interested so far as we know.

It is gratifying for us to state that there has existed throughout the year most cordial relations between ourselves and all the various town officers.

We have endeavored to place before the citizens of the town, in this our annual report, a plain and accurate statement of all municipal accounts and affairs for the current year, with as much detail as time and space would allow, which we now most respectfully submit.

A. J. STEARNS,
EDWARD E. WITT,
F. L. MILLETT,
} *Selectmen of Norway.*

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

To F. W. Sanborn, a citizen of the town of Norway, in the County Oxford and State of Maine, Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said town of Norway qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Norway hall, in said Norway, on Monday, the sixth day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside over said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a town clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To choose a Board of Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the poor, a Town Treasurer, town Agent, a member of the Board of Superintending School Committee, two trustees of the Norway Public Library, a Tax Collector, and all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year, with the exception of a Road Commissioner.

Art. 4. To choose a Road Commissioner or Road Commissioners for the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To establish the price per day that the Road Commissioner or Road Commissioners shall receive for services.

Art. 6. To see what per cent. the town will vote to pay for collecting taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the extinguishment of the town debt.

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for a contingent fund for the ensuing year.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of the poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to pay interest charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for town officers' salaries for the ensuing year.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the repairs of highways and bridges for the ensuing year.

Art. 13. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to pay snow-breaking bills of the winter of 1904 and 1905.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of common schools for the ensuing year.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to be expended for free text books for the ensuing year.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for repairs on school buildings for the ensuing year.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to be expended for insurance on school property, and for apparatus and appliances for the ensuing year.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of a free high school for the ensuing year.

Art. 19. To see if the town will instruct the Superintending School Committee to maintain schools in the Yagger, and Crockett Ridge neighborhoods, or either of them for the ensuing year.

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for instruction in music in schools of eighteen pupils or more, for the ensuing year.

Art. 21. To fix upon the compensation the Superintendent of Schools shall receive for his services.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support and maintenance of the Norway Public Library, for the ensuing year.

Art. 23. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for Memorial Day observance, for the ensuing year, to be expended by Harry Rust Post, No. 54, G. A. R.

Art. 24. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the observance of Memorial Day by the Spanish War veterans.

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to allow the heirs of the late Samuel P. Frost such taxes as may be assessed upon the property of his estate, if they shall keep the road leading from the house of the said heirs by the house of Mason F. Frost in a suitable condition of repair for the ensuing year.

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to fix a date when all taxes for the year A. D. 1905 shall become due and payable to the Collector.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to charge interest and at what rate, and at what time interest shall commence on taxes not paid.

Art. 28. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to be expended on State road.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to accept the private way as laid out by the Selectmen, on petition of Fred S. Frost and others.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to pay H. O. Holden the sum of sixteen dollars in payment of one cow returned to Norway Town Farm.

Art. 31. To see if the town will vote to accept the private way as laid out by the Selectmen on petition of Porter C. Seavey and others.

Art. 32. To see if the town will vote to accept the town way as laid out by the Selectmen on petition of C. H. Adams and others.

Art. 33. To see if the town will vote to purchase a steam roller, and appropriate money for the same.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Selectmen's office for the purpose of receiving names and correcting the list of voters, on Saturday, the fourth day of March next, from one to three o'clock in the afternoon, and also on Monday, March sixth, from nine to ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Given under our hands this 13th day of February, A. D. 1905.

A. J. STEARNS,
EDWARD E. WITT,
F. L. MILLETT,
} *Selectmen of Norway.*

True copy attest:—F. W. Sanborn, publisher of the Norway Advertiser, Norway, Me.

TREASURER'S REPORT

H. J. BANGS, Treasurer of Norway.

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To Rec'd H. J. Bangs, Treas., 1903:

Cash	$ 5,619 46
36 tax deeds (value to Treas.)	21 57
C. P. Barnes, account repairs	65
A. J. Stearns, account express on school supplies	85
A. J. Stearns, account Frost fund	15 00
C. P. Barnes, books sold	17 44
Billiard licenses	20 00
W. F. Jones, acct. Mrs. Esther Welch	25 00
C. P. Barnes, appliances sold	38 94
C. P. Barnes, tuition	126 00
G. L. Curtis, dog tax	199 00
Redemption tax deeds	390 90
E. E. Witt, labor of Supt. town farm	6 50
Poultry sold from town farm	9 36
Potatoes, mdse. " " " "	11 50
E. E. Witt, lumber sold from town farm	20 00
S. P. Maxim & Son, lumber sold from town farm	25 00
Pork sold from town farm	29 33
Eggs " " " "	30 00
Sweet corn " " " "	68 37
Calves " " " "	87 00
Hogs " " " "	88 94
Pine and fir " " " "	102 21
Cows " " " "	103 00
Pulp wood " " " "	200 00

To Rec'd	Oxen and yoke sold for town farm	$ 402 50	
	Cream " " " "	488 69	
	Town of Hebron	10 00	
	" Oxford	37 75	
	" Rumford	56 00	
	" Stoneham	76 93	
	State, public library	60 00	
	" R. R. and telegraph tax	65 17	
	" rent armory	100 00	
	" free high school	125 00	
	" amount refunded on dog tax	136 89	
	" account State roads	200 00	
	" Soldier's pensions	558 00	
	" school fund and mill tax	1,877 06	
	Collector, account 1899 tax	20 00	
	" interest on 1903 "	65 00	
	" account 1901 "	150 00	
	" " 1902 "	500 00	
	" " 1903 "	4,500 00	
	" " 1904 "	17,000 00	
			$33,685 01

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By paid Postage	$ 1 00	
Tax deeds	2 00	
Porcupine bounties	29 75	
State treasurer, dog tax	199 00	
State, soldiers' pensions	558 00	
County tax	2,137 95	
State tax	3,570 89	
836 town orders	23,931 61	
20 tax deeds (value to treas.)	12 38	
Cash on hand	3,242 43	
		$33,685 01

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. BANGS, Treasurer of Norway.

This may certify that we have this day examined the books, accounts and foregoing report of H. J. Bangs, treasurer of the town of Norway, and find the same correct, and hereby approve and allow the same.

A. J. STEARNS,
EDWARD E. WITT,
F. L. MILLETT,
Selectmen of Norway.

Norway, Jan. 31st, 1905.

VITAL STATISTICS.

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE.

To the Selectmen of the Town of Norway:

Gentlemen:—The following returns of births, marriages and deaths have been made to this office for the year 1904.

Geo. L. Curtis, Town Clerk.

SUMMARY.

BIRTHS.

Number of births	69
" males	38
" females	31

MARRIAGES.

Number of marriages	50
Grooms, number of widowers	6
" " divorced	4
" oldest at date of marriage	73
" youngest " "	20
" average " "	31
Brides, number of widows	7
" " divorced	4
" oldest at date of marriage	56
" youngest " "	17
" average " "	27

DEATHS.

Number of deaths	46
" males	27
" females	19
Oldest person at date of death	95 years, 7 months, 6 days
Youngest " " "	9 days
Average age " "	46 years, 11 months, 4 days

RECORD OF BIRTHS FOR THE YEAR 1904.

Jan.	2,	To the wife of W. F. Durell, a daughter, 1st child.
	2,	To the wife of Alec Locke, a son, 2d child.
	10,	To the wife of Francis E. Porter, a son, 2d child.
	13,	To the wife of Fred H. Perry, a daughter, 3d child.
	18,	To the wife of A. W. Graves, a daughter, 5th child.
	21,	To the wife of Wendall H. Tripp, a son, 1st child.
	26,	To the wife of George M. Ames, a daughter, 3d child.
	29,	To the wife of John M. Gagne, a daughter, 4th child.
Feb.	1,	To the wife of Phillipp DeCoteau, a son, 4th child.
	5,	To Ida S. Wentzell, a son, 1st child.
	5,	To Ida S. Wentzell, a son, 2d child.
	9,	To the wife of Montelle J. Bradbury, a son, 1st child.
	10,	To the wife of Ernest W. Hutchins, a daughter, 1st child.
	12,	To the wife of Wilfred A. Hersey, a daughter, 2d child.
	26,	To the wife of Edward S. Gammon, a son, 2d child.
	27,	To the wife of Adelbert E. Libby, a daughter, 3d child.
Mar.	8,	To the wife of D. L. Joslin, a son, 2d child.
	21,	To the wife of John G. McKay, a son, 8th child.
April	1,	To the wife of Beverly Truman, a son, 11th child.
	6,	To the wife of W. H. Hobbs, a daughter, 7th child.
	19,	To the wife of Howard A. Knightly, a son, 3d child.
	28,	To the wife of John C. Hussey, a daughter, 2d child.
May	8,	To the wife of Herbert P. Frost, a son, 1st child.
	21,	To the wife of Joseph Lessard, a son, 2d child.
	21,	To the wife of Walter E. Tarr, a daughter, 1st child.
June	1,	To the wife of Edmond Labossire, a son, 1st child.
	5,	To the wife of Frank S. Bubier, a daughter, 1st child.
	6,	To the wife of Zenas Mills, a son, 5th child.
	7,	To the wife of Walter S. Chandler, a daughter, 1st child.
	15,	To the wife of George W. Ethridge, a son, 3d child.
	19,	To the wife of L. A. Small, a son, 1st child.
	22,	To the wife of Irvin E. Brown, a daughter, 2d child.
	27,	To the wife of Levi F. Richardson, a son, 1st child.
July	2,	To the wife of Fred R. Hoyt, a son, 1st child.
	6,	To the wife of Charles A. Bradley, a son, 1st child.
	11,	To the wife of W. A. Lewis, a son, 2d child.

July 16, To the wife of Robert E. Walker, a daughter, 2d child.
17, To the wife of Levi Crockett, a son, 1st child.
23, To the wife of E. D. Millett, a son, 4th child.
27, To the wife of Herman L. Bartlett, a daughter, 4th child.
30, In South Paris, to the wife of Edward W. Dyer, of Norway, a son, 1st child.

Aug. 5, To the wife of Asa Swift, a daughter, 2d child.
9, To the wife of Elbridge F. Cummings, a son, 1st child.
23, To the wife of S. N. Buck, a son, 2d child.
23, To the wife of Forrest D. Thurston, a son, 1st child.
28, To the wife of Edward Perreault, a son, 1st child.
28, To the wife of Chester G. French, a daughter, 7th child.
28, To the wife of Chester G. French, a daughter, 8th child.

Sept. 3, To the wife of Herbert C. McAllister, a son, 1st child.
16, To the wife of E. F. Smith, a daughter, 2d child.
27, To the wife of Charles Henry Brown, a daughter, 4th child.

Oct. 4, To the wife of Emil Kyhn, a son, 1st child.
5, To the wife of C. D. Morse, a daughter, 6th child.
6, To the wife of Arthur Taillon, a daughter, 1st child.
15, To the wife of Charles E. Wood, a daughter, 1st child.
15, To the wife of Walter A. Field, a son, 2d child.
17, To the wife of Charles P. Barnes, a son, 4th child.
27, To the wife of Horace Murch, a daughter, 1st child.
30, To the wife of Gilbert A. Russell, a son, 2d child.

Nov. 3, To the wife of Nathan Tompkins, a son, 3d child.
9, To the wife of John D. Mayhew, a son, 1st child.
12, To the wife of A. L. Wyman, a son, 4th child.
14, To the wife of N. S. Burnet, a son, 8th child.
18, To the wife of Napoleon Dufresne, a daughter, 2d child.

Dec. 6, To the wife of H. Arthur Robbins, a daughter, 3d child.
7, To the wife of Frank J. Fuller, a son, 2d child.
8, To the wife of Clarence E. Hussey, a daughter, 4th child.
10, To the wife of E. M. Thomas, a daughter, 5th child.
22, To the wife of Arthur U. Tyler, a daughter, 4th child.
22, To the wife of Leon M. Longley, a daughter, 3d child.

RECORD OF MARRIAGES FOR THE YEAR 1904.

In Norway, January 3, by Rev. B. F. Fickett, William A. Wentworth, age 32, and Maud Delia Beaubeau, age 24, both of Norway.

In Norway, January 9, by Rev. B. F. Fickett, John Gilman Wentworth, age 45, and Ellen Frances Curtis, age 38, both of South Paris.

In Houlton, Me., January 12, by Rev. Daniel E. Putnam, Henry Lee Russell, age 35, of Norway and Emma J. Hill, age 38, of Houlton, Me.

In Norway, January, 18, by Rev. Caroline E. Angell, Walter Clark Leavitt, age 25, of Swampscott, Mass., and Grace Louise Faunce, age 24, of Norway.

In Harrison, January 19, by J. Bennett Pike, esq., Percy Smith, age 23, of Norway, and Maggie Libby, age 23, of Harrison.

In Norway, January 21, by Rev. Caroline E. Augell, Addison Calvin Nelson, age 23, of Hebron, and Annie Maria Newcomb, age 26, of Norway.

In Norway, February 7, by Rev. H. H. Bishop, Walter A. Field, age 21, and Rena M. Adams, age 18, both of Norway.

In Lewiston, March 12, by Louis J. Brann, esq., Edmond Labossiere, age 21, and Mabel Lachance, age 17, both of Norway.

In Norway, April 5, by Rev. B. F. Fickett, Frank Percival Knapp, age 35, and Gertrude Belle Stevens, age 25, both of Norway.

In Norway, April 7, by Rev. Edward S. Cotton, Ambrose Burnside Farnum, age 32, of Norway, and Almeda Bessie Rollins, age 22, of Mattapan, Mass.

In Norway, April 18, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Richard N. Hall, age 23, of Waterville, and Emma F. Millett, age 21, of Norway.

In Norway, April 20, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Harold Edward Beane, age 21, of Norway, and Clara Hannah Hersey, age 23, of Waterford.

In Norway, April 26, by Rev. C. A. Brooks, Eddie Perreault, age 23, and Cassie M. Currier, age 19, both of Norway.

In Norway, April 27, by Rev. C. A. Brooks, Ward B. Lary, age 31, and Flora B. Wheeler, age 24, both of West Bethel.

In Paris, May 1, by Rev. Howard A. Clifford, Ernest Melrose Millett, age 29, of Norway, and Lizzie Amanda Winslow, of Paris.

In Norway, May 4, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Harry Sawyer Newcomb, age 27, and Jennie Beatrice Hayes, age 19, both of Norway.

In Berlin, N. H., May 1, by Rev. Father Mackey, Charles Wood and Florence Bernard, both of Norway.

In Norway, May 14, by Rev. C. A. Brooks, Millbury Chase Grant, age 26, and Lottie May Gould, age 19, both of Freeport.

In Norway, May 22, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Howard Barrows Young, age 30, and Annie W. Watson, age 30, both of Norway.

In Norway, May 25, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Eugene Osborne Russell, age 22, and Donzella Mae Goodwin, age 21, both of Norway.

In Paris, May 28, by Rev. H. A. Clifford, Osborne Eugene Ripley, age 24, of South Paris, and Charlotte Mae Stevens, age 18, of Norway.

In Norway, June 15, by Rev. Edward S. Cotton, Elmer Ellsworth Butler, age 24, of Springfield, Mass., and Addie Libby, age 24, of Norway.

In Norway, June 20, by Rev. Caroline E. Angell, William Azro Delano, age 27, and Bessie Belle Towne, age 27, both of Norway.

In South Paris, June 26, by Rev. Jas. A. Flynn, James E. Everett, age 21, of Norway and Rosie A. Gunn, age 18, of Berlin, N. H.

In South Paris, June 26, by Rev. Jas. A. Flynn, Welbrod Vens, age 23, and Mary Berube, age 21, both of Norway.

In Norway, June 29, by Rev. C. A. Brooks, Claude Allison Haskell, age 23, of Harrison, and Minneola Ava Cox, age 24, of Norway.

In Portland, June 29, by Rev. Q. H. Shinn, Frank Stephen Waldron, age 29, of Norway, and Alice Leola Pride, age 27, of Portland.

In Norway, July 6, by Rev. Edward S. Cotton, Charles Wilson Andrews, age 20, of Newton Upper Falls, Mass., and Edith Maria Edgecomb, age 22, of Norway.

In Norway, July 14, by Eugene F. Smith, esq., William Bennett, age 36, and Ida F. Durgin, age 44, both of Waterford.

In Gorham, August 4, by Rev. John A. Harding, William F. Young, age 20, of Norway, and Louise Adelaide Chaplin, age 20, of North Gorham.

In Norway, August 7, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Lester Wallace Horne, age 24, and Alice May Smith, age 23, both of Norway.

In Norway, August 9, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Myron G. F. Roberts, age 30, and Mrs. Fannie Whitman Crockett, age 29, both of Norway.

In South Portland, August 16, by Rev. Frank W. Smith, Harry Virgin Cole, age 20, of Norway, and Clara Belle Cassidy, age 17, of South Portland.

In Norway, September 4, by Rev. Edward S. Cotton, Lewis Frank Ward, age 33, of Sebago, and Cassie McCurdie, age 23, of Norway.

In Norway, September 4, by Rev. Edward S. Cotton, James Edward McKay, age 32, of Norway, and Grace Tryan, age 28, of Lynn, Mass.

In Norway, September 6, by Rev. Caroline E. Angell, Benjamin Tucker, age 73, and Ellen M Marston, age 56, both of Norway.

In Norway, September 18, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Herbert M. Adams, age 35, of Stoneham, and Mabel Lillian Frost, age 21, of Norway.

In Norway, September 21, by Rev. James Albert Libby, Leslie Harlan Flint, age 27, and Angie Lavina French, age 25, both of Norway.

In South Paris, September 25, by Rev. James A. Flynn, Edmond Decoteau, age 30, and Albertine Nadeau, age 23, both of Norway.

In Norway, October 5, by Rev. James H. Little, Herbert Denison Cole, age 31, of Norway, and Charlotte Mae Somers, age 22, of Pittsfield, Me.

In Norway, October 17, by Rev. James H. Little, Josiah Augustus Thurlow, age 23, and Reba Maud Harnden, age 20, both of South Paris.

In Norway, October 26, by Rev. James H. Little, James Danforth, age 65, and Alice R. Woodsum, age 51, both of Norway.

In Norway, November 9, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Lewis I. Gilbert, age 47, and Lulu Mabel Packard, age 29, both of Norway.

In Norway, November 9, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, James Horn Porter, age 37, of Norway, and Agnes Driscoll, age 30, of Dover, N. H.

In North Deering, Me., November 23, by Rev. P. F. Bicknell, Luther L. Howard, age 53, of Norway, and Mary Mutchler, age 44, of Portland, Me.

In Norway, November 24, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Fred Henry Cummings, age 38, and Cora Belle Shedd, age 35, both of Norway.

In Norway, December 3, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, S. Bion Pike, age 37, and Ina French, age 35, both of Norway.

In Norway, December 20, by Rev. Edward S. Cotton, John F, Sampson, age 43, and Annie L. Richardson, age 37, both of Norway.

In Augusta, Me., December 20, by Rev. Charles A. Hayden, Edward Ellsworth Witt, age 40, of Norway, and Mary Cynthia Lapham, age 36, of Augusta, Me.

In Norway, December 28, by Rev. James H. Little, Harry Walter Starbird, age 22, of South Paris, and Grace May Jordan, age 23, of Norway.

RECORD OF DEATHS FOR THE YEAR 1904.

February 4, Celia Arphillah Ames, age 9 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, inanition.

February 5, John King, age 83 years, 1 month, 26 days. Birthplace, Wellington, Me. Cause of death, organic disease of heart.

February 5, Wentzell, baby, stillborn. Birthplace, Norway.

February 10, Francis E. Williams, age 54 years, 9 months, 25 days. Birthplace, Wakefield, Mass. Cause of death, pernicious aenemia.

February 13, Sarah A. Marston, age 77 years, 11 months, 10 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, cancer of stomach.

February 17, Luke D. Moore, age 32 years, 13 days. Birthplace, Albany, Me. Cause of death, pulmonary tuberculosis.

February 18, John Needham, age 75 years, 10 months, 4 days. Birthplace, Greenwood, Me. Cause of death, organic heart disease.

February 23, Ida S. Wentzell, age 15 years, 6 months 28 days. Birthplace, Nova Scotia. Cause of death, pulmonary embolism.

February 28, Anna M. Perry, age 77 years, 9 months. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, cancer of intestines.

March 2, Amos F. Noyes, age 91 years, 2 months, 17 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, organic heart disease.

March 8, Abigail E. Rowe, age 84 years, 11 months, 17 days. Birthplace, Oxford, Me. Cause of death, la grippe.

March 12, John G. Stone, age 56 years, 2 months, 18 days. Birthplace, Albany, Me. Cause of death, cirrhosis of liver.

March 13, Alexander Locke, age 2 months, 11 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, premature birth.

April 4, Manford Palmer, age 4 years. Birthplace, Boston, Mass. Cause of death, laryngial diphtheria.

April 8, Frances Ellen Cummings, age 68 years, 9 months. Birthplace, Bethel. Cause of death, gall stones and sequele.

April 25, H. P. Booker, age 71 years, 8 months, 26 days. Birthplace, Bowdoin. Cause of death, grip and acute bronchitis.

May 17, Jessie Rowe Lemieux, age 52 years, 7 months, 30 days. Birthplace, Canada. Cause of death, apoplexy.

May 25, Eliphalet Porter, age 60 years. Birthplace, United States. Cause of death, apoplexy.

May 30, Charlotte R. Grant, age 65 years, 6 months, 11 days. Birthplace, Lansingburg, N. Y. Cause of death, paresis.

June 7, Gerald Osgood Hill, age 5 years, 5 months, 1 day. Birthplace, Paris. Cause of death, nonclosure of foramen ovule.

June 23, Ellen M. Allen, age 60 years, 23 days. Birthplace, Denmark. Cause of death, organic disease of heart.

July 6, Grace R. Heath, age 28 years, 5 months, 22 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, pulmonary tuberculosis.

July 11, Grace L. Graves, age 5 years. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, anterio polio myelitis.

July 20, Zelotus Whitney Buck, aged 63 years. Birthplace, Sumner. Cause of death, pulmonary tuberculosis.

July 28, Leonard E. Judkins, age 52 years, 3 months, 12 days. Birthplace, Greenwood. Cause of death, asphyxia by drowning.

September 3, Samuel Foster, age 95 years, 7 months, 6 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, senile gangrene.

September 8, Mildred Evelyn Brown, age 2 months, 15 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, marasmus.

September 13, Alice F. Seavey, age 44 years. Birthplace, Waterford. Caause of death, chronic nepritis.

September 22, Abigail Damon Howe, age 82 years 8 months, 24 days. Birthplace, Wiscasset. Cause of death, inanition following fracture of hip.

October 1, Thyrsa Taylor, age 61 years. Birthplace, Strong. Cause of death, organic disease of heart.

October 3, Mary F. Bennett, age 20 years, 11 months, 29 days. Birthplace, Albany. Cause of death, pericoditis and abscess of lung.

October 9, Thomas Wells, age 79 years. Birthplace, England. Cause of death, pneumonia.

October 13, Rodney McDonald, age 34 years. Birthplace, Charlestown, Mass. Cause of death, pulmonary tuberculosis.

October 16, B. C. A. Pingree, age 86 years. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, senile gangrene.

October 18, Cecil M. McAllaster, age 1 month, 15 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, canker of stomach and bowels.

October 21, Emma Alice Holt, age 27 years, 16 days. Birthplace, Bethel. Cause of death, vomiting of pregnancy.

October 29, Job Stirk, age 71 years, 2 months, 9 days. Birthplace, England. Cause of death, abscess following erysipelas.

October 30, Hannah P. Noble, age 71 years, 6 months, 29 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, apoplexy.

November 3, Harry E. Wight, age 29 years, 7 months, 13 days. Birthplace, Gilead. Cause of death, intestinal hemorrhage.

November 7, Cyrus Millett Buck, age 79 years, 9 months, 7 days. Birthplace, Greenwood. Cause of death, illisis and indigestion.

November 10, March H. Heath, age 11 years, 7 months, 27 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, drowning.

November 17, Jacob F. French, age 63 years, 10 months. Birthplace, Albany. Cause of death, chronic diarrhea and malarial poisoning.

December 23, William Lessard, age 7 months, 2 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, pneumonia.

December 26, Walter W. Emery, age 46 years, 5 months, 8 days. Birthplace, Ripley. Cause of death, apoplexy.

December 28, Howard Clarence Allen, age 3 months. Birthplace, Bridgton. Cause of death, broncho pneumonia.

December 29, Hannah Stuart, age 66 years, 1 month, 1 day. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, Brights disease.

RETURNS MADE TO THE CLERK OF NORWAY.

(By checks of other towns as provided in Section 21 of the law relating to the registration of Vital Statistics)

January 28, in Portland, Fitz Roy Bennett, age 58 years. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, typhoid pneumonia.

March 23, in Lewiston, Bessie E. Horne, age 21 years, 2 months, 14 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, peritonitis.

March 27, in Portland, John N. Saylor, age 83 years. 1 month. Birthplace, Canada. Cause of death, hypostatic pneumonia.

April 28, in Harrison, George W. Tracy, age 58 years, 9 months, 6 days. Birthplace, Palmyra. Cause of death, amotrophic lateral scelerosis.

April 30, in Poland, Louisa A. Millett, age 90 years, 11 months, 7 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death pneumonia.

May 2, in Albany, Stephen S. Packard, age 74 years, 9 months, 6 days. Birthplace, Peru. Cause of death, organic disease of the heart.

May 16, in East Waterford, Otis Martin, age 71 years. Cause of death, general debility.

December 9, in Oxford, Clyde J. Bedard, age 24 years, 2 months, 9 days. Birthplace, Canada. Cause of death, fracture of skull (fall from hand-car.)

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDING

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The school committee, Mr. Frank Kimball, member for one year, Mr. John A. Roberts, member for two years, and Mr. George E. Tubbs, member for three years, met for the purpose of organization on March 9, 1904, and elected Mr. Frank Kimball, chairman, and Charles P. Barnes, Superintendent of Schools. In addition to the duties conferred upon the Superintendent by law the committee voted to the Superintendent the same duties as in 1903 and further, that of collecting the tuition of high school pupils attending from other towns.

The section of the Statutes relative to employment of teachers provides that the Superintendent of schools in every town * * * * shall employ teachers, subject to the approval of the superintending school committee.

To avoid any appearance of conflict with the committee it has been the practice of our superintendent, this year as in previous years, to offer a position to no teacher without the approval of the school committee; and except to fill vacancies arising suddenly all Norway teachers are elected by the committee.

The funds available for the support of schools have been expended as shown in the accounts appended.

COMMON SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

	DR.	
To Bal. 1903 appropriation	$1,904 40	
1904 appropriation	3,850 00	
Amount received from State	1,877 06	
		$7,631 46

	CR.	
By Teachers' wages and board	$4,609 50	
Fuel	582 93	
Janitors' services	324 00	
Conveying pupils and board	277 70	
Bal. for expenses of winter term	1,837 33	
		$7,631 46

FREE HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

	DR.	
To Bal. 1903 appropriation	$ 260 94	
1904 appropriation	1,700 00	
Amount received from State	125 00	
		$2,085 94

	CR.	
By Teachers' wages	$1,924 63	
Bal. for salaries	161 31	
		$2,085 94

FREE TEXT BOOK ACCOUNT.

	DR.	
To 1904 appropriation	$600 00	
Credit for old books in exchange	45 32	
Cash for books sold	17 44	
		$662 76

By High School Texts as follows:	CR.	
5 United States History	$ 5 41	
6 English History	7 20	
20 Hall & Bergen Physics	20 83	
15 Texts in Bookkeeping	8 40	
16 Blanks for Bookkeeping	5 89	
12 Business Law	7 68	
7 French Dictionary	7 00	
17 French Grammar	12 75	
16 French Readers	4 20	
10 French Composition	1 00	
10 Lockwood & Emerson	8 33	
8 Solid Geometry	5 00	
12 Plane Geometry	7 50	
51 New School Algebra	47 60	
5 Astronomy	5 20	
12 Vergil	14 26	
20 Milton's Minor Poems	4 17	
10 English Literature	10 42	
28 English Classics	7 50	
24 Rhetoric	20 00	
8 First Latin Book	6 67	
3 Teacher's Class Book	75	
		$217 76

By	Common School Texts as follows:		
	7 Teacher's Class Book	$ 1 75	
	7 Teacher's Plan Book	1 75	
	1 Teacher's Manual	35	
	7 Primary Physiology	3 42	
	12 Advanced Physiology	9 00	
	6 Ninth Grade Readers	2 88	
	30 Eighth " "	11 25	
	60 Seventh " "	37 50	
	106 Fourth " "	41 42	
	118 Third " "	40 36	
	50 Second " "	12 50	
	90 First " "	24 47	
	90 Arithmetic Primer	18 00	
	100 " Part I	32 00	
	20 " Part II	6 40	
	70 Language Lessons No. 2	35 00	
	54 " " " 1	15 75	
	49 Doz. Writing Books	22 01	
	20 U. S. History	16 66	
	20 Elements of Geography	10 83	
			$343 30
	Freight, express, trucking, postage on same		17 85
	Balance on hand		83 85
			$662 76

INSURANCE, APPARATUS, APPLIANCES, ETC., ACCT.

		DR.	
To	1904 appropriation	$500 00	
	Appliances sold	38 94	
	Tuition	108 95	
			$647 89

		CR.
By	Kerosene oil, lamp chimneys, etc	$ 7 26
	Watchman	3 00
	History outline notebooks	6 72
16 8-12	Doz. writing books	12 80
1	Doz. teachers registers	9 00
	Table for primary work, etc	6 46
500	Spelling blanks	8 25
11	Doz. erasers	6 22
4	Gross rulers	3 00
7	Gross pencils	9 25
2	Gross penholders	2 00

By	1 Case toilet paper	$ 6 00	
	1 Gal. liquid slating	3 00	
	4 Boxes dustless crayon	1 00	
	4 Gross colored crayon	3 20	
	50 Gross white crayon	3 00	
	14 Herbariums	10 08	
	1 Collecting case	1 13	
	4 Flag poles	3 50	
	Physical apparatus	24 30	
	Filling diplomas	5 50	
	Labor and manure	4 25	
	V. M. Whitman, postage stamps	6 65	
	Norway Water Co	62 89	
	Granite step and grading at Holt school	2 50	
	Labor and material grading in U. P. lot	16 00	
	Disinfectant	5 75	
	20 Gross steel pens	7 60	
	150 Alphabet cards	2 25	
	P. E. Hathaway, cleaning and arranging apparatus	5 00	
	1 Doz. pointers	1 00	
	6 Thermometers	60	
	F. W. Sanborn, supplies and printing	20 00	
	Chemicals	27 52	
	Paper	62 01	
	Insurance	207 00	
	Brooms, pails, dustpans, dippers, etc	15 19	
	Postage, express, freight, trucking, etc	37 14	
	Kindergarten material	29 87	
			$647 89

REPAIRS ACCOUNT.

		DR.	
To	1904 appropriation	$400 00	
	Tuition	17 05	
	Cash from contingent fund	164 72	
	Cash	65	
			$582 42

		CR.	
By	Repairs on rural buildings	$336 84	
	" Upper Primary	86 78	
	" Academy building	77 47	
	" Lower Primary	13 80	
	Cleaning 24 rooms, basements and vaults	67 53	
			$582 42

Last year we reported as owing for books $124.21. This year bills outstanding for books amount to $141.80, less a discount not yet reported for old books returned. Against this we have a balance on hand of $83.85, so that we are in debt for books about $50, thus having supplied the pupils for the past year, and having paid about $75 of last year's indebtedness.

Repairs on the older rural buildings mount high and we expended more than we planned to, in order to do respectable jobs at Pike, and Noble schoolhouses. When the old desks were removed from the Pike building, they proved altogether too shattered to be set up again, and new ones were ordered. This we recommend for all rooms where the benches have become worn so as to be uncomfortable for the children.

On Pike hill and in the Holt neighborhood it was found necessary to pay $5 a week and board, to get satisfactory teachers, this fall and winter.

The expense of maintaining our high school was increased this year in order to retain the services of a valuable Sub-Master and to engage a Principal of first quality.

When the State allowance for Free High School is fully paid, our high school department will be in debt to the town as estimated for the year closing at the end of this term, in the sum of $28.69. To assure the quality of work desirable in this school we are forced to call for a larger appropriation for Free High School than last year.

Yagger, Crockett and Millett Schools fall below the required number in attendance, having for the three terms last completed an average attendance of 6.2, 7.9, and 6.5 respectively.

Owing to their location we recommend that schools be maintained at Yagger and Crockett neighborhoods the coming year.

Since our last report two teachers whose long term of service and exceptional ability rendered their efforts conspicuous in this department, Miss Augusta H. French, and Miss Cora B. Shedd, have severed their connection with our schools, and we take this occasion to express our appreciation of their services.

For the expenditures of the coming year we recommend:—

For Common School account	$3,850 00
Text book account	700 00
Repairs account	400 00
Insurance, apparatus and appliances	400 00
Free high school account	1,875 00

Signed,

FRANK KIMBALL,
J. A. ROBERTS,
GEO. E. TUBBS,
Superintending School Committee.

Norway, Jan. 31, 1905.

REPORT OF

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Norway, Me., Jan. 31, 1905.

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Norway:

I have the honor to submit my report of the work and progress of our schools for the year now closing.

Number of persons in town between ages of 5 and 21 years, April 1, 1904.....675
Number of tuition pupils.....11
Number of pupils enrolled in schools during year.....621
Average attendance in schools, winter term 1903-1904.....465 75
Average attendance in schools, spring term 1904.....479.29
Average attendance in schools, fall term 1904.....485.2
Number of public schools, year 1904:
High.....1
Village common schools.....10
Rural " " 11⅓
Number of schoolhouses in use spring and fall terms.....14
Number of schoolhouses in use the present winter term.....15
Number of teachers employed, spring and fall terms.....24
Number of teachers employed, the present winter term.....25
Total number of teachers employed during year 1904.....37

Amendments to the laws governing schools have made slight changes, most noticeable probably being that regulating the census of school children. Previous to 1904, all persons in the town between the ages of 4 and 20, both inclusive, were returned to the State Superintendent.

By Art. IV, Sec. 36, of our present school law persons returnable as above are those from 5 to 21 years, on the first day of April. This change in age allows us a less number of persons returnable as drawing school money than formerly.

We have been obliged for various good and sufficient reasons, not the least of which was an epidemic of matrimony, to employ a large number of teachers during the past year. This I consider a distinct loss to our schools.

Besides the five who have been married within the year, four have resigned to accept schools elsewhere at higher wages and one has gone to Normal School. To fill vacancies thus caused, teachers without experience have been placed in seven schools and it is notable that the Superintendent can report that these beginners in most cases are giving promise of great future value.

As soon as a child attains his fifth birthday he enters school, so that new comers appear at every term of our village primaries, necessitating generally two classes before the end of the year, in addition to those provided for in September.

At the Upper Primary Miss Mercy E. Millett has registered 53 different pupils since April 1st, and as the number in attendance was too great for one teacher to instruct most successfully, the Superintending School Committee authorized the employment of a pupil teacher during a part of the forenoon, each day, to act under the direction of Miss Millett.

This was effected without expense to the town by the employment of Ida M. Marston in the spring term and Harriet C. Oxnard this winter. This, in addition to proving altogether beneficial to the primary pupils, is of worth to the town, in that the pupil teacher receives valuable training as a teacher, and only those are engaged who wish to teach after graduation from the high school, as Miss Marston is now doing.

Of our present force of twenty-five teachers, fourteen have had normal or collegiate training, ten being graduates of normal school or college. Four of the residue are among our most efficient teachers, from their long period of successful experience, and the rest are graduates of our high school and Gould Academy, with their futures to make in the school world.

So long as we can hold our best teachers we can report progress in our work, but, the fact that we do not offer reasonable pay to teachers of rural schools embarasses us when we bid in the open market for school teachers.

The course of study printed last year has been of material assistance to our teachers, especially in the rural schools, where the in-

dividual ability of the pupil is allowed freest rein, but where we require the teacher to secure from each pupil the same proportionate excellence in each department prescribed for other Norway pupils of the same grade, before advancing him unreasonably in any one department.

But the many changes in the teaching force have required additional work of the Superintendent, so that I find my record from the time of the last annual town meeting to date of this report shows that I have made 217 visits to schools where I have taken some part in the instruction given during my visit, and making the minimum number of visits to close the present term, the Superintendent's visits to schools will number 240 for the year. The public can judge of the time this consumes, as well as estimate pretty nearly the time and labor otherwise expended for the welfare of schools and scholars.

It cannot be avoided, then, that the Superintendent of schools draws from the town treasury more money annually than he did a few years ago.

These changes in teachers as suggested have been for various reasons, and while in some cases highly beneficial, are in many more to be deplored.

When the time arrives that we feel we can pay one dollar a day and her board to the rural teacher capable of earning that sum, we will be able to secure teachers whose training and experience justify their engagement, and their work will be proportionately more satisfactory.

The school year for 1904 will be not less than 30 weeks in all common schools, 34 in the high school, and from the fact that the high school building was kept open for the accommodation of the high school for fourteen weeks in the spring term, the village common school pupils received an additional two weeks.

The School Improvement League at the Lake continues its good work of directing and putting into effect the interest that good citizens of any community feel in their school, and a League has been started and heartily maintained in the Holt neighborhood.

Swift Corner school, and that at the Chapel have secured flags for their buildings this year, and the Noble school purchased this fall a globe and table.

In the village schools, in every grade from the first to the Senior class in the high school, the willingness of so many parents that their children shall play truant, works harm, and entails upon the town additional expense in paying the truant officer for his services.

That official is now paid for each call reported to the Superintendent, and if parents would aid teachers and truant officer in securing

the constant attendance of pupils not excusable, the expense of his office would be materially decreased, and further, and vastly more important to the town of Norway, the classes would not be held back for the laggard who attends when he prefers to, and whose parents in so many cases sanction his truancy.

That pupils whose every bill is paid, who are supplied with more and better books and apparatus than their fathers could have had, who have the best teachers our money will hire, should absent themselves from school is passing strange, but that parents should connive at such absence is abhorrent to the principles of American citizenship.

Even among young men and women this practice prevailed to such an extent that but four-fifths of our high school pupils were in regular attendance last spring. Were we not convinced that we can give them more instruction in Norway, and at less expense to the town, we would commit habitual truants to the care of the State. And when the expense to Norway in looking up a truant approaches what his tuition will cost the town after commitment, that boy will be committed to the State School for Boys.

In the high school a new atmosphere of work has appeared. The number of pupils is less than in some recent terms, but the number of *students* is as large as ever.

Our year is shorter than in most if not all high schools of an equal number of pupils, and yet we try to teach as much as the other high schools and academies of the State. This year our high school will be in session thirty-four weeks, and it is to be hoped the year may never be shorter.

Some time since 1903 the colleges above third grade in New England formed an association, agreeing upon entrance requirements and according to secondary schools whose curriculum and work, as evidenced by Course of Study and by the report of an inspector justified it, the right to enter graduates upon certificate and not solely by examination.

Last year the plan of our work was submitted by our principal, an inspecting professor visited our school and it was rejected, and is not now entitled to certificate entrance. Depending on the record of former pupils we had become lax in our requirements in Norway high school. We had been resting on our laurels won in former years. Now we face the necessity of struggling to regain our lost prestige.

A rigid requirement of earnest work will reinstate our high school among the good ones of the state, and permit me to go on record as saying that in my judgment our high school is now in good hands.

The graduates of 1904 were:—

Harold Albert Anderson,	John Thomas Austin,
Ernest Linwood Brown,	Maurice Vivian Brown,
Ethel Mae Bradbury,	Edward Lewis Burnell,
Miriam Louise Calef,	Alvin L. Cotton,
Cora Marion Dexter,	Caribel Thurston DeCosta,
Regnall Stanford Dinsmore,	Eva Grace Goodwin,
William Chester Horne,	Harrington S. Mann,
Ida Mae Marston,	William Frye Millett,
Cleora Maud Merrill,	Carl Pride Mixer,
Lola Dean Smith,	George L. Sanborn,
Tessa Ray Thibodeau,	Charlotte J. Young.

The graduating exercises were held at Norway Opera House, Thursday evening, June 9, with the following program:

.....Music.....
.....Prayer.....
.....Music.....
Salutatory, Greatness.....Ida Mae Marston
Class History.....Eva Grace Goodwin
Oration, Some Important Factors in the Education of Youth.....
.....Carl Pride Mixer
.....Music.....
Poem, Lessons Learned from Nature.....Miriam Louise Calef
Prophecy, 1904 Jingle Book.....Charlotte J. Young
Essay, The Beauties of Nature.....Tessa Ray Thibodeau
.....Music.....
Presentation of Gifts.....Maurice Vivian Brown
Valedictory, Our State.....Lola Dean Smith

The Don C. Seitz prize for excellence in scholarship was awarded to Miss Lola Dean Smith.

I would not close this somewhat extended report, without thus publicly tendering my thanks to the committee for the support that they have given me through a year that numbered many trying weeks, and to the people of the rural sections of the town who have been helpful to the Superintendent and teachers.

The usual table of statistics is appended.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES P. BARNES,

Superintendent of Schools.

Norway, Jan. 31, 1905.

NAME OF SCHOOL	TEACHERS	No. of Pupils Registered	Average Attendance	Per Cent. of Attendance	Visits of Citizens & Parents	Length of School in weeks	Wages of Teachers a week
	WINTER TERM, 1903-1904						
High	Prin., Verne M. Whitman	97	91	93 8	20	10	$28 12½
	S. M., Percival E. Hathaway						20 31¼
	Asst., Grace B. Bicknell						13 00
Ninth Grade	Agnes E. Sanborn	25	22 6	90	8	10	8 00
Eighth Grade	Winnifred Ladd	28	26 2	93 9	28	10	8 00
Seventh Grade	Annie S. Emery	37	32 4	87 6	9	10	8 00
Sixth Grade	Grace L. Griffith	33	29 9	90 6	9	10	8 00
Fifth Grade	Ella H. Irish	31	28 8	92 7	20	10	8 00
Fourth Grade	Cora B. Shedd	27	23 5	87	15	10	8 00
Third Grade	Harriette E. Cragin	38	32 9	86	14	10	8 00
Middle Primary	Gertrude Gardner	31	28 2	91	37	10	8 00
Lower Primary	Sadie E. Millett					6	8 00
	Lizzie M. Johnson	18	14 6	81 1		4	8 00
Upper Primary	Mercy E. Millett	32	27	84 3	24	10	8 00
Swift	Minnie A. Cox	12	9 9	82 5	4	10	6 00
Centre	Katherine M. Towne	16	13 5	85	10	10	6 00
Yagger	Bessie B. Towne	7	6 3	90	13	10	6 00
Lake	Elizabeth O. Lasselle	18	15 7	87	5	10	6 00
Pike	Alice D. Gammon	8	6 9	86	9	8	6 00
Crockett	L. Adalaide Chaplin	9	8 6	96		11	6 00
Frost	Lena L. Bennett	5	4 4	88	5	10	6 00
Millett	Carl B. Boynton	7	6 4	91 3	2	10	6 00
Noble	Josephine P. Shedd	13	10	77	12	10	6 00
Chapel	Nona B. Coates	9	7 6	83	1	10	6 00
Pierce	Philip F. Stone	11	10 2	93	15	10	6 00
Holt	Lulu W. Frost	11	8 2	74		10	6 00
	SPRING TERM, 1904.						
High	Prin., Verne M. Whitman	95	80	84	34	14	28 12½
	S. M,, Percival E. Hathaway						20 31¼
	Asst., Grace B. Bicknell						13 00
Ninth Grade	Agnes E. Sanborn	23	21 3	92 6	4	12	8 00
Eighth Grade	Winnifred Ladd	28	23	82 1	6	12	8 00
Seventh Grade	Annie S. Emery	37	33 5	90	4	12	8 00
Sixth Grade	Grace L. Griffith	34	29 6	87	6	12	8 00
Fifth Grade	Ella H. Irish	32	28 4	89	15	12	8 00
Fourth Grade	Cora B. Shedd	26	23 8	91	14	12	8 00
Third Grade	Harriette E. Cragin	37	32 1	87	22	12	8 00
Middle Primary	Gertrude Gardner	34	27 1	80	15	12	8 00
Lower Primary	Lucy M. Hayes	23	17	80	9	12	8 00
Upper Primary	Mercy E. Millett	37	30 3	82	19	12	8 00
Swift	Mary A. Merrill	15	13 4	90		10	6 00
Centre	Katherine E. Cragin	16	15 5	97	10	10	6 00
Yagger	Bessie B. Towne	10	7 4	74	7	10	6 00
Lake	Elizabeth O. Lasselle	28	25 5	91	17	10	6 00
Pike	Alice D. Gammon.	15	12 6	84	19	11	6 00
Crockett	L. Adelaide Chaplin	10	8 6	86	1	10	6 00
Millett	Marguerite Finney.	7	6 7	95	10	10	6 00
Noble	Minnie A. Cox	15	13 6	91	17	10	6 00
Chapel	Josephene P. Shedd	12	11 2	94	8	10	6 00
Pierce	Lizzie M. Johnson	11	8 6	78	3	10	6 00
Holt	Lulu W. Frost	10	8 1	81	1	10	6 00
	FALL TERM, 1904.						
High	Prin., Charles B. Thompson	87	82 8	95 2	12	10	28 12½
	S. M., Percival E. Hathaway						21 87½
	Asst., Grace B. Bicknell						13 00
Ninth Grade	Catherine H. Oldham	26	24	92 3	4	10	8 00
Eighth Grade	Annie S. Emery						
Seventh Grade	Edna I. Brown						
Sixth Grade	Grace L. Griffith						
Fifth Grade	Clara A. Eastman	31	27 5	88 7	7	10	8 00
Fourth Grade	Cora B. Shedd	38	36 2	96	5	10	8 00
Third Grade	Harriette E. Cragin	36	34 1	94 7	12	10	8 00
Middle Primary	Gertrude Gardner	25	22 9	91 6	5	10	8 00
Lower Primary	Lucy M. Hayes	19	15 8	83	3	10	8 00
Upper Primary	Mercy E. Millett	34	29 7	87 4	8	10	8 00
Swift	Mary A. Merrill	15	11 8	78 6	8	10	6 00
Centre	Katherine M. Towne	16	14 4	90		10	6 00
Yagger	Marguerite Finney	6	5 6	93 3	6	10	6 00
Lake	Elizabeth O. Lasselle	29	22	76	6	10	6 00
Pike	William Wood	12	10 6	88 4	12	11	7 50
Crockett	Lola D. Smith	8	6 4	80	2	10	6 00
Millett	Lizzie M. Johnson	7	6 5	93	2	10	6 00
Noble	Ida M. Marston	14	12 5	89	1	10	6 00
Chapel	Miriam L. Calif	12	12 8	85	3	10	6 00
Pierce	Cleora M. Merrill	8	7 3	91	5	10	6 00
Holt	Nellie L. Rankin	19	15 8	84	9	10	7 00

Public Library Report.

To the Board of Management of Norway Public Library:

I have the honor to submit the following report for the fiscal year ending January 31st, 1905.

RECEIPTS.

1904.		
Feb. 1,	To Cash on hand as per last report..	$ 25 12
April 1,	Sale of non-resident cards.....	2 50
	Sale of catalogues.....	1 15
	Sale of cards.....	80
	Fines to dates.....	6 47
June 24,	Town order No. 8426.....	50 00
	Sale of catalogue.....	20
	Fines to date.....	9 38
Aug. 12,	Town order No. 8547.....	60 00
Sept. 20,	Non-resident card.....	1 00
	Catalogue.....	20
	Fines to date.....	9 00
21,	Town order No. 8616.....	50 00
Nov. 22,	Town order No. 8723.....	150 00
Dec. 3,	Fines to date.....	7 17
24,	Town order No. 8785.....	150 00
1905.		
Jan. 7,	One-half net income Bearce fund..	36 61
	One-half net income Hawkins fund	7 67
19,	Insurance money from town.....	37 50
	Balance of town appropriation, state stipend and income from Frost fund.....	27 50
	Fines to date.....	7 78
Total receipts for year.....		$640 05

Receipts for year were from the following sources:

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1904	$ 25 12
Town appropriation for year	450 00
State stipend	60 00
Bearce Fund	36 61
Frost Fund	15 00
Hawkins Fund	7 67
Fines, cards, etc	45 65
Total income as above	$640 05

EXPENDITURES.

1904.			
April	1,	Paid Alice R. Woodsum, salary to date	$ 39 00
		Six gallons oil	95
		January magazines to complete files	60
		Norway Register	85
	4,	Balch Bros., Supt. Vol. Stoddard Lectures	2 20
July	1,	Alice R. Woodsum, salary to date	39 00
		Four gallons oil	60
Aug.	12,	Dodd, Mead & Co., bal. Int. Encyclopedia	60 20
Sept.	20,	Alice R. Woodsum, salary to 19th	33 50
		Three gallons oil	42
		Feather duster	60
		Freight on books	90
	24,	Hortense G. Gregg, salary to date	3 00
Oct.	1,	" " " "	3 00
	8,	" " " "	3 00
	22,	" " " "	6 00
	29,	" " " "	3 00
Nov.	7,	" " " "	3 00
		Merrill & Webber, binding books, etc	9 90
	12,	Hortense G. Gregg, salary	3 00
	19,	" " "	3 00
	23,	Loring, Short & Harmon, books	115 49
		American Library Co., March's "Thesaurus"	12 00
	24,	Freight on books	90
	29,	Hortense G. Gregg, salary	3 00
	30,	Loring, Short & Harmon, books	1 50

Dec.	3,	Paid Hortense G. Gregg, salary	$ 3 00
		Oil	84
		Lamp burner	20
		Express	40
		Glue, etc	30
		Lamp	80
	9,	Loring, Short & Harmon, books	2 18
	10,	Hortense G. Gregg, salary	3 00
	17,	" " "	3 00
	24,	" " "	3 00
	31,	James O. Crooker, rent to Feb. 1, 1905	120 00
		James O. Crooker, heating library	21 00
		Hortense G. Gregg, salary	3 00
1905.			
Jan.	7,	Hortense G. Gregg, salary	3 00
	14,	" " "	3 00
	18,	Henry D. Noyes & Co., for 10 magazines for 1905-6, viz.—Harper's, Ladies' Home Journal, Munsey, McClure, New England, Cosmopolitan, Review of Reviews, Leslie's Monthly, Pearson's and Success	13 00
		Insurance paid F. Howe	37 50
	19,	Hortense G. Gregg, salary to Jan. 28	6 00
		Freight on books	15
		Printing list of books	70
		Oil	84
		Lamp	20
		Broom	30
		Mending tissue	25
		Postage for year	1 30
		Cash on hand to balance	64 48

Total expenditures for year **$640 05**

Bills outstanding, estimated $64 48

EUGENE F. SMITH,

Treasurer of Norway Public Library.

We have this day examined the books and accounts of Eugene F. Smith, treasurer of Norway Public Library, for the year ending Jan. 31st, 1905, and hereby certify that the same are correct. There are proper vouchers on file for all expenditures and cash on hand to balance the account as stated in the above report.

A. J. STEARNS,
EDWARD E. WITT,
F. L. MILLETT,
Selectmen of Norway.

REPORT OF

BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Selectmen of Norway:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Health have the honor of submitting our annual report for the year 1904.

We have had four cases of typhoid fever. We have had one case membranous croup, three cases of scarlet fever, five cases of measles, and one case of consumption.

Fifteen cases of nuisances have been reported for the past year.

GEORGE W. HOLMES,
S. A. BENNETT,
Wm. C. LEAVITT,
Board of Health.

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